Stripes

I was walking down the Highway and became completely transfixed by the new stripe of white on the gray asphalt. Just by isolating the white and gray into a rectangular image with my phone, I created an abstract design that got me really excited.

Then I made a design using one of those images “four up”, with each one turned a different way. It totally inspired me and this exercise.

So — this week we will play with Stripes! Stripes on a Square, actually.

Before you begin, think about stripes you see around you, outside (like sidewalks or the Highway) and inside (on textiles, platters, backpacks, t-shirts, flooring.)

Let that guide you in your choices.
Have fun!

**MATERIALS**

- Mixed media or sturdy paper to draw on, approx. 11” x 14”
- Pencil or marker
- Acrylic paint, tempera, watercolor, marker, or ink
- Scissors and glue
- A ruler
- Paper towels, removable tape, old toothbrush (optional)

**STEP ONE**

Draw a square on a piece of paper and paint or draw the square with stripes.

**STEP TWO**

Allow it to dry completely then cut the square into four equal quarters. (You can just fold the paper in half and then fold it in half again to get creases to follow for cutting).

**STEP THREE**

Re-arrange the squares on a new piece of paper until you settle on the most pleasing design.

**STEP FOUR**

Make a new painting or drawing based on the collage.

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