

Junk City



Junk City was created in a few hours from the contents of the recycling bin. You need to make a good collection of unusual forms, like egg boxes and lids.

The project is perfect for exploring architecture, 3D construction, surface decoration and town planning.

The project can be followed up with a discussion about what environmental measures could be included such as wind turbines, solar panels, car charging points, bike lanes, market gardens. Black and white creates a dynamic graphic look, but remember there are no rules, it's your City.



Materials:

Contents of your recycling bin: card, boxes, tubes, lids...

Tape (waterproof, or masking tape)

Primer (water based and non toxic)

Black paint, pens, paper or what ever you need to make your City look amazing.

Glue

Cloth or paper to make a back drop and floor for Junk City

Tools:

Scissors

Decent paint brushes (select quality brushes and always wash them carefully and store them so the bristles don't get damaged)



Method:

1. Set out your packets and decide on form and function i.e. school, homes, station, shops, areas for sports, growing spaces. What does your City need? How about some new ideas.

Handy hint: You can use your imagination to come up with your own theme: 'Flower Power' City, 'City of 1000 Colours' 'Stripy City'....the world is your oyster.



2. Tape your City together.





3. Paint all the surfaces with primer.
You must let the primer dry.

Handy hint: make the forms one colour so you can see the shapes clearly. The forms will lose their original identity and become more architectural.



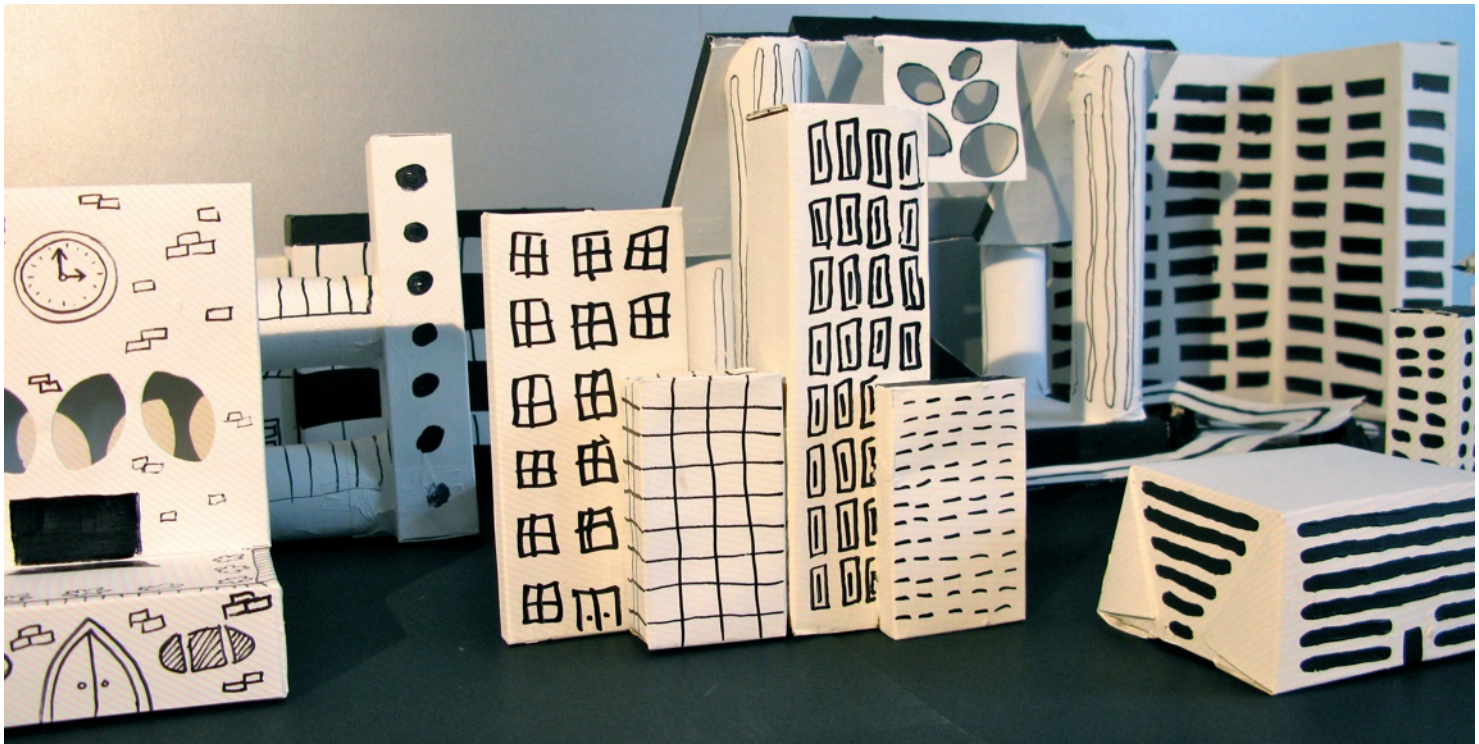
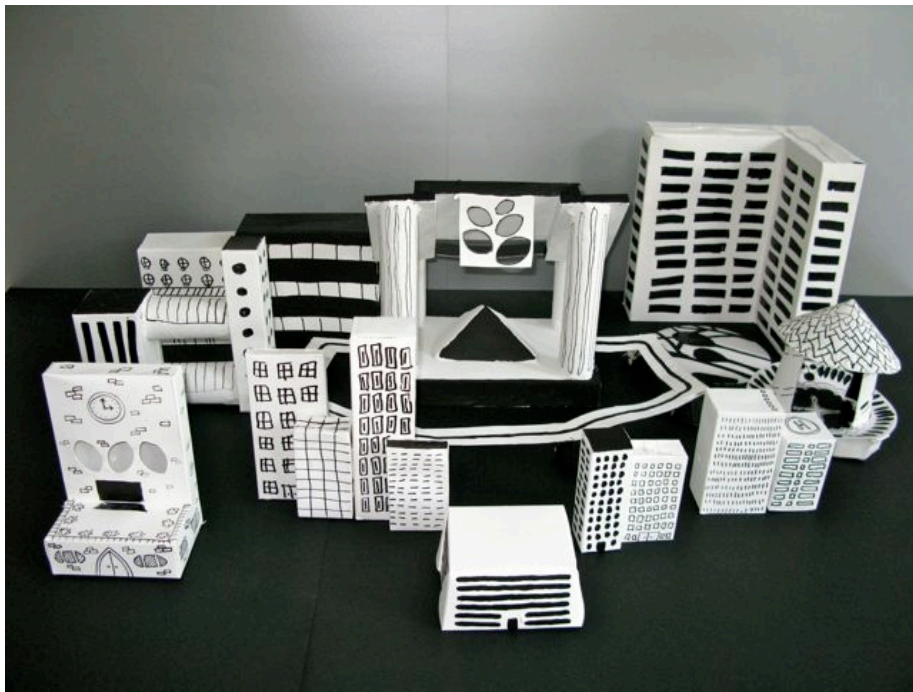


4. Once the City is primed and has dried thoroughly, decide on a colour to add the details. Think about roofing, brick work, decorative finishes, pathways and windows.



5. Your City will be very photogenic. You can also film Junk City, think about the lighting and background. For a film you can add music or voice over. Simply join Cool it Schools for easy advice on how to upload films and images - we can't wait to live in your City.





Junk City was created by Amanda Callis who is an artist. Amanda also runs exciting creative workshops for young and old alike and makes fantastic public art works too. You can see what she has achieved by taking a look at her website Callis Creative <http://calliscreative.com/>

Mole is one of Amanda's greatest fans. Here is Mole star struck and slowing down progress with Junk City. Mole also loves Amanda's baking and has stolen several cakes at once from the table.