

# Optical Illusion Cube

What is an optical illusion? An optical illusion is a trick of the eye. In art, you can make optical illusions through the element of line and principle of contrast. By drawing and coloring line patterns a certain way, you can make a 2-dimensional surface appear 3D!

Practice making optical illusions in student sketchbooks using the 6 Optical Illusion handouts: Heart, Hand, Sphere, Tubes, Web and Basket weave.

After mastering the op art patterns, draw the 6 different optical illusions on the 6 different faces of a cube's net. Notice how different a cube looks flattened out as a net instead of a form.

Add color and detail using sharpie and marker. One part of each design should be black (sharpie) to create contrast making the illusion easier to see.

Cut out the net and glue the sides together to make a cube.

Sign and display!

Reflect: Check out the work of Bridgett Riley. She is a master of optical illusions using line and contrast!

