

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISPLAY OF THE THREE HELEN FRANKENTHALER POSTERS

For each Frankenthaler Imagination Lesson Plan (ILP), you will receive:

- A securely packed, heavy-duty mailing cylinder containing the three high-quality posters by Helen Frankenthaler (*Mary, Mary*; *Aerie*; and *Solar Imp*).
- One box of twelve (12) Display Clips and one box of twenty (20) Push Pins (mailed separately from the posters).

### **Begin by flattening the posters.**

1. Arrange two 6-foot tables side by side at their long ends.
2. Lay the corrugated cardboard down on the tables.
3. Lay the tissue paper or Kraft paper the posters were wrapped in on top of the corrugated cardboard.
4. Lay all three posters *face down* on the Kraft paper, one on top of the other.
5. Place text books or other weights around the edges of the posters to keep them flat.
6. If the table is in a high-traffic area, it is recommended that you cover them with a sheet or plastic tarp of some kind to prevent accidental damage.

Ideally, the posters should remain undisturbed for one week, but they will be usable (if still slightly curly) within 72 hours or so.

If you don't have room to set up two 6-foot tables, an alternate method of straightening the posters is to hang them up on a bulletin board using the Display Clips and Push Pins. You may want to flip the posters around every other day or so to encourage their uncurling.

- **It is recommended that you have the posters professionally framed.** Hang them in a place with sufficient indirect light to view the poster clearly without glare.
- **If professional framing is not available, a bulletin board with a minimum depth of 1/2 inch will be needed.** The Display Clips and Push Pins provided with the ILP will allow you to display the posters on a bulletin board in a classroom or hallway setting without damage to the posters.

### **Hanging the posters with Display Clips and Push Pins is simple. Here's how:**

1. Attach Display Clips (either three or four, whichever is your preference) at even intervals across the top of the poster. There are enough Display Clips provided for each poster to utilize four of them.
2. Hold the poster up against the bulletin board and place it where you want it to hang.  

The bulletin board needs to be thick enough to allow for the push pins to enter it deeply enough to hold and secure the weight. Most bulletin boards will be just fine for this purpose; however, the slim types that are 1/8" to 1/4" narrow strips will not be sufficient as the point of the Push Pins is 1/2" long.
3. With one hand holding the poster in place, push one Push Pin through the hole at the top of each Display Clip. Push each pin all the way into the board so it is firmly secured.
4. When all Display Clips are hanging from Push Pins, take a step back and view the poster. Make sure the poster is level. Adjust the placement of the Display Clips as needed.

Please remove all other papers and objects from the bulletin board. The poster(s) should be the only thing hanging on the bulletin board.

### **Once the posters are ready, easels are another option for displaying them.**

#### **How to obtain additional clips and pins**

Other types of clips or pins may be used to display the posters, but please make sure they're up to the job of holding the weight of these high-quality posters. We searched for just the right materials to provide with this unit. If you wish to purchase additional boxes of Display Clips or Push Pins, you may obtain them from The Museum of Useful Things by calling 866.497.1221 or by going online to [www.museumofusefulthings.com](http://www.museumofusefulthings.com).

Display Clips: <http://www.museumofusefulthings.com/products/display-clips-box-of-12>

Push Pins: <http://www.museumofusefulthings.com/products/aluminum-push-pins-box-of-50>