

# new to me

WEEKLY PROMPTS THAT HELP US THINK ABOUT RE-FRAMING  
EVERYDAY THINGS AND SEEING THINGS IN NEW WAYS

## PROMPT 2: #CORONATESSELLATIONS

AN ONLINE COLLECTIVE ART PROJECT BY DAVID HAMLOW

**T**his week for our New To Me Series, we are thinking about connecting with others through art with the help of artist David Hamlow. His #coronatesSELLATIONS project invites us to create small works from anything and everything we can find around us. Hamlow uses found materials and objects to create modular works and he often asks people for help, so the overall creation is collaborative. This project is a way to continue the idea of working with materials together, but virtually! He wants us to think about how everyday objects can become art materials and tell a story through being arranged. By using shared rules for the background (arranging objects on a diamond shape), and then taking a photo to share (that evenly frames the diamond), each new artwork will be able to be added into the larger project, and tessellate to form a potentially endless pattern.

### WHAT TO DO:

1. Find a piece of used paper.
2. Fold and crease to make a square, rotate the square to form a diamond.
3. Collect some recycled objects—even better—useless 'junk-drawer' stuff that is non-recyclable.
4. Arrange objects on the paper.
5. Take photo. Remember to make sure your diamond is centered with the corners touching at the center of each side of the square photo frame.
6. Upload to Instagram and Facebook.
7. Tag @stylefarmer and yourself.
8. Hashtag #coronatesSELLATIONS—the hashtag will form grids, and @stylefarmer will create feature grids and post to his story.

Keep checking back to see how this on-going project grows!

### ABOUT THE ARTIST:

David Hamlow is a Minnesota-based mixed-media artist working primarily with conserved post-consumer materials resulting from his own consumption. Hamlow exhibits regionally, nationally and internationally, and is a frequent collaborator with K-12 and college students--as well as the general public—in creating large-scale works that combine his own and his partners' recycled materials. Recent works and honors include *Mirror Stage*, at the Minnesota Museum of American Art, *Immiscible* at the Washington Pavilion in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and a 2020 artist residency at Joshua Tree Highlands. He lives and maintains a studio in Good Thunder, MN.

