Art Project: Fabergé-style Eggs

Twelve Monogram Egg  
Firm of Fabergé, jeweler (Russian, 1842-1917)  
Mikhail Perkhin, workmaster (Russian, 1860-1903)  
St. Petersburg, 1896  
Gold, enamel, diamonds, satin (1.63)

Catherine the Great Egg  
Firm of Fabergé, jeweler (Russian, 1842-1917)  
Henrik Wigström, workmaster (Finnish active in Russia, 1862-1923)  
Vasili Zuev, miniature painter  
St. Petersburg, 1914  
Gold, diamonds, pearls, enamel, silver, platinum, mirror (11.81.1)

Nicholas II, Russia’s ruler, gave these eggs to his mother for Easter. Both eggs were created by a famous jeweler named Peter Carl Fabergé and the many artists who worked for him.

Learn more about these eggs through our online collection (Twelve Monogram Egg, Catherine the Great Egg) and our mobile app tour stop 361.

Take inspiration from Hillwood’s imperial Fabergé eggs to create your own Fabergé-inspired designs.

Materials:

- Plastic eggs
- Embellishments (stickers, rhinestones, ribbon, washi tape, pearl beads, etc.)
- Scissors
- Adhesive (glue, tape, glue dots, and/or hot glue)
Steps:

1. Start with a plastic egg. “Jumbo” eggs (3.5 inches tall) provide the most surface area for decorating.

   Search for metallic, pearlized, iridescent, marbled, or faceted plastic eggs for an extra special look!

2. Add embellishments, such as stickers, ribbon, washi tape, pearl beads, and rhinestones.

   Scrapbooking supplies are a great source for fancy stickers. Search for metallic sticker borders.

   Try wrapping your egg in beads or ribbon to create interesting textures and effects. Glue dots or hot glue work best for securing beads and rhinestones, but glue sticks or liquid glue can work too.

3. Have fun decorating!

Please share your finished product on social media!

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