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JULIE CHEN: THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOOK EDUCATION GUIDE

Discussion Questions

Watch the PROCESS episode segment featuring book artist Julie Chen and answer the questions below.

“An artist’s book is a book made by an artist with the intention that the book itself is the work of art.” – Julie Chen

1. Have you made a book?
2. If yes, was it a traditional or non-traditional book?
3. What types of materials did you use for bookmaking?
4. How might a book comment on social and/or political issues?
5. What would be your personal connection and/or message in your book?
6. How would you describe Julie Chen’s books?
7. Does Julie Chen start with a specific idea about her books?
8. What is letterpress printing? Why is it important to Julie Chen?
9. How does Chen push the boundaries of bookmaking?
10. How does Chen use the element of surprise in her books?