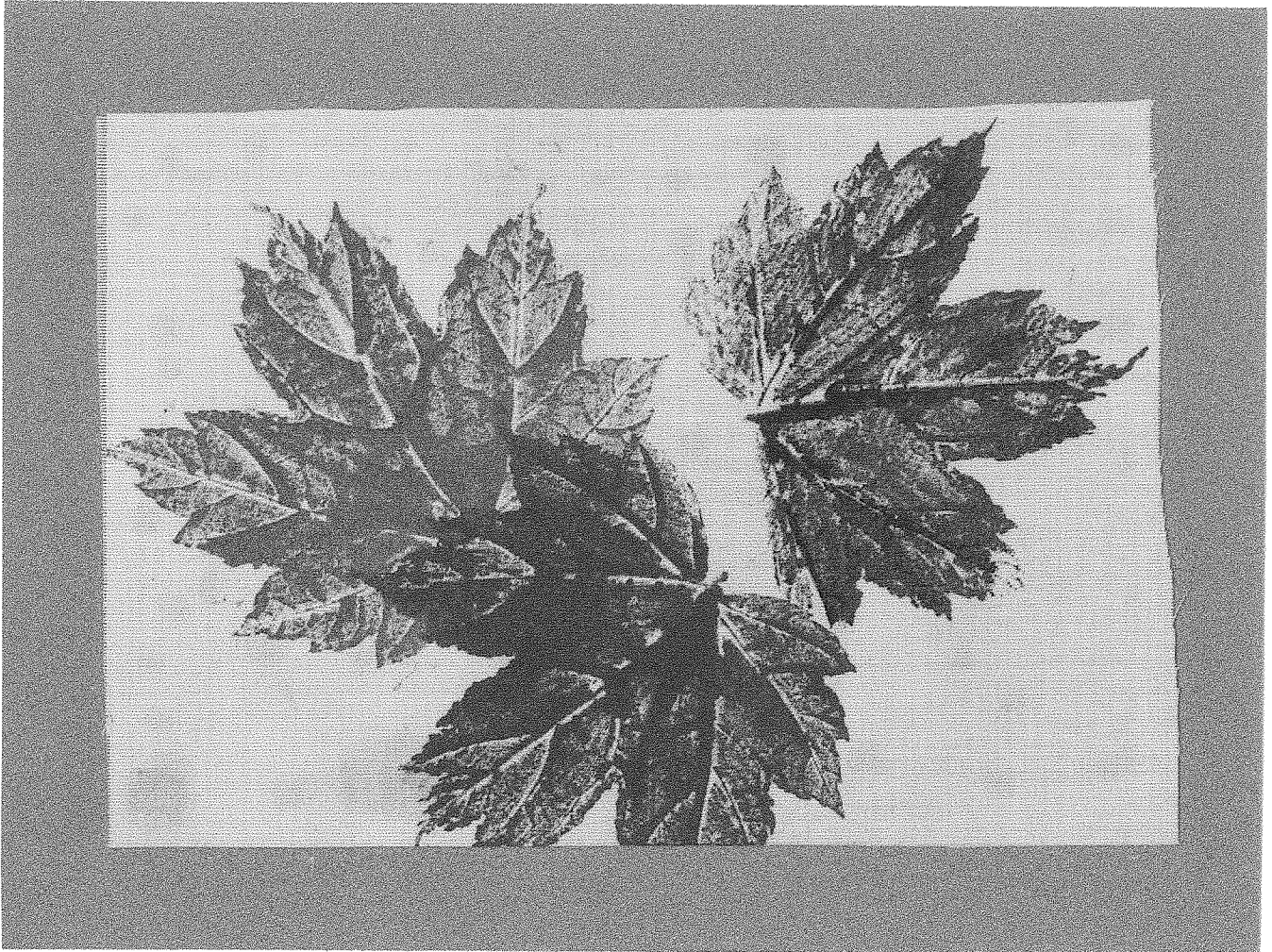
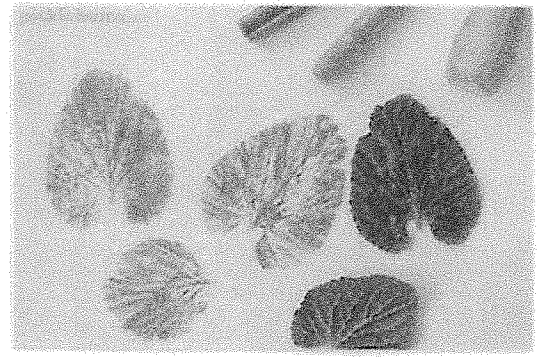
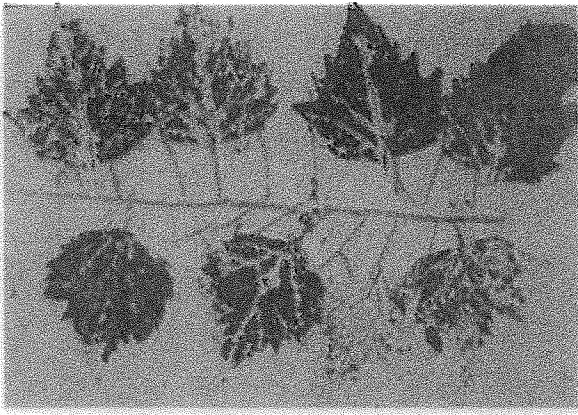


Leaf Prints



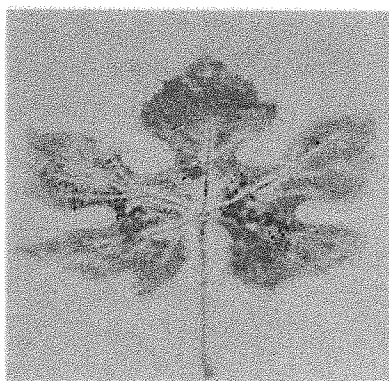
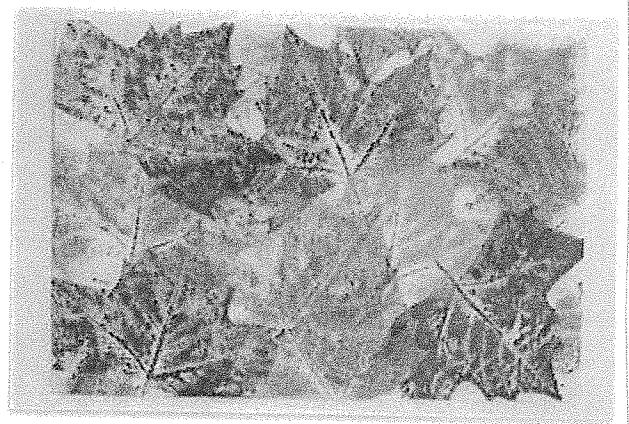
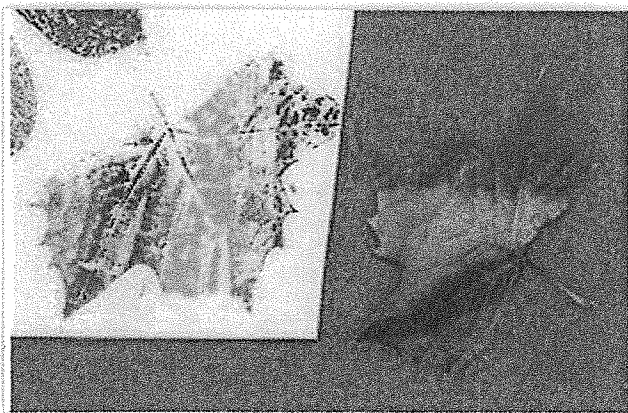
Printing is one of our oldest Art forms, from the days early people made hand prints on cave walls. Printing to an artist means to make a picture from an image that can be duplicated, or printed, over and over again. Sometimes artists create “printing plates” of metal, glass or wood which can be used more than once. Before printing presses or copy machines were invented, printing allowed the artist to make more than one drawing of the same thing.

Another method is to use an actual object like your thumb, a penny, a fork or a leaf and print it. Look for leaves that are fresh, have interesting shapes, and always use the “back side” where you can feel the veins to print.



Examples

Leaf Prints of All Kinds!



Leaf Prints

Included in this Packet:

- Example page
- Directions page
- 5"x 7" piece of cotton fabric
- Colored paper for printing
- Small paper squares for rubbing

What you will need:

- Fresh picked leaves
- Acrylic or poster paint
- Flat paint brush
- Scrap paper
- Newspaper to cover table

Make A Leaf Print:

- 1) Pick leaves and place them upside-down on the newspapers
- 2) Choose a color to print (Hint: sometimes blending two colors is nice)
- 3) Paint color on the leaf to cover every part, but not too thick
- 4) Practice printing on scrap paper by placing the leaf paint side down
- 5) Place a small square of paper over the leaf and rub with your fingers in a circular motion
- 6) Remove paper square and carefully peel up the leaf, leaving the print
- 7) Try printing leaves of different colors on your colored paper and fabric piece

(Hint: The 5'x 7" fabric can be dried and placed inside and inexpensive frame)