



# Hallie Strock

## The Art of Listening to Your Materials & Pop-Up Collage Party

The Lamorinda Arts Council's featured artist in the Art Gallery at Wilder for May is collage artist Hallie Strock. View her virtual exhibit at the Council's online gallery, [www.lamorindaarts.org/online-galleries](http://www.lamorindaarts.org/online-galleries). For directions to the opening see [www.lamorindaarts.org/current-exhibits-wilder/](http://www.lamorindaarts.org/current-exhibits-wilder/).

Strock, of Berkeley, turned to collage during the pandemic because it is one of her favorite ways to work. She describes the collage process as being like a jigsaw puzzle that gives her a way to silence the noise, forget what might be worrying her, and totally occupy the moment. "Life is messy, and I just had to get out of my head and let the art pour out of me," she said.

She likes the appropriating nature of collage. Collecting and making imagery and various materials for her is just as exciting as making the collage itself. The littlest thing can speak to her with significance.



"Blooming"  
paper collage on wood panel,  
18" x 18"

"Four Birds in the Bush," a 16" x 12" collage on wood panel, is part of a series about birds in fantastical settings. She hopes they bring viewers a sense of joy because she had fun making them by juxtaposing disparate elements, styles and colors against one another.

Her Pop-Up Collage Party is a fun way for art lovers to create a community collage. All materials and supplies will be provided. Join her and Council curators from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 8. Yes, she knows it's Mother's Day and said, "Moms are the special guests at this party – let's do something fun!" To learn more about Strock's artwork visit [www.halliestrock.com](http://www.halliestrock.com).

May 2022 Featured Artist



"Four Birds in the Bush"  
paper collage on wood  
panel, 16" x 12"

*The Art Gallery at Wilder is managed by the Lamorinda Arts Council and is located in the Wilder Art & Garden Center at 20 Orinda Fields Lane in Orinda. The exhibit runs April 2 through 30 and is in-person on the reception date but is otherwise accessible by appointment with Curator Aniston Breslin. Contact her at [wildergallery@lamorindaarts.org](mailto:wildergallery@lamorindaarts.org). Questions? Call the Lamorinda Arts Council at 925.359.9940.*

