



Natalie - Recycled art workshop

What was your goal and what did you achieve?

A workshop using recyclable materials. So I gathered milk bottles and magazines from home, and then I brought it into a local community centre where they had a repair café, where people bring in stuff from home and then volunteers repair it. I had a couple of people who were there for that, and while they were waiting they came in and asked questions about what this was for and why it would be useful, and some people created some artworks.

Who else was involved?

One of the art teachers helped create some stuff to show, and then helped bring people in, as an instructor.

What types of things were created?

I have a tree made out of magazines, and an animal made out of a milk bottle. The bottle is then covered in cardboard and newspaper, and then tissue paper on top to add colour.

Your biggest success so far?

Raising awareness of how much people recycle and what they can do with it.

Next steps?

I feel like I could create some more objects and post them on social media. I might get to the point where I could possibly sell them at a school fair and donate the money to an environment group or society.

Your advice to other students?

Do something you enjoy and that relates to the environment in some way. I've had experience with making things out of recycled materials for art so I can easily show people.

This case study was transcribed from an interview. These are Natalie's words and opinions.