



MAKING ZINES

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QUICK ZINE HISTORY

- First zine said to have come about in the 1930s, a sci-fi zine called “*The Comet*” created by the Science Correspondence Club in Chicago.
- The punk movement in the late 70’s and 80s spiked the creation and publication of zines.
- Places like New York, London, Chicago, and L.A were hubs for zine makers.



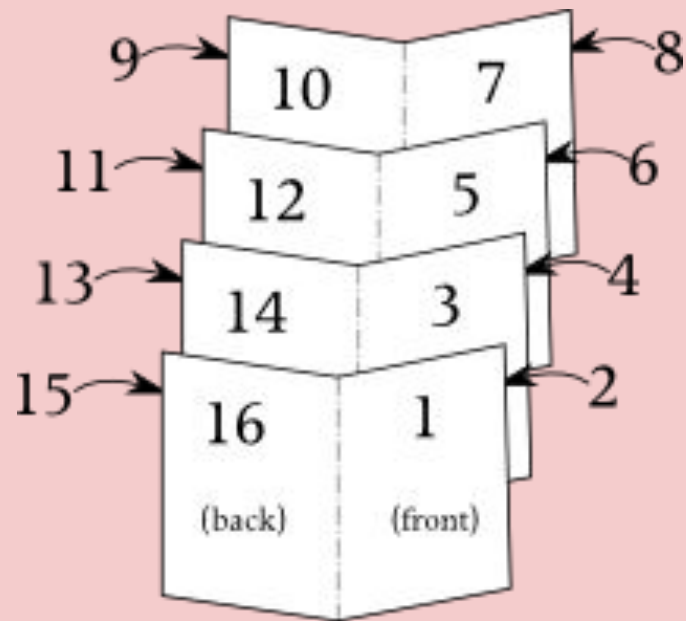
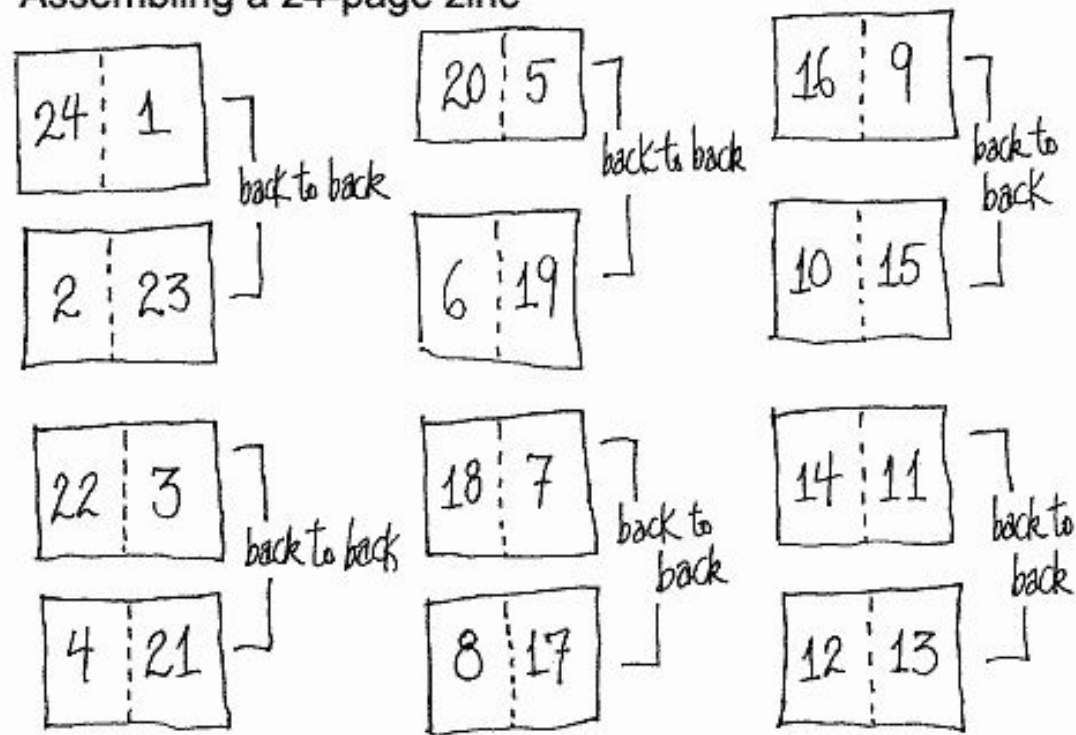
WHY MAKE ZINES?

- Zines are the PERFECT way to self publish your work for cheap.
- It's a great addition for labeling artists to sell/display.
- There is no limit to what you can make zines about. Zines can be about all kinds of things, people, places, experiences, ect.

HOW TO START

- Once you have a concept, carefully plan out how you will set up your zine.
- How many pages will you have? Will there be a cover? Title Page? End page?
- Make a small prototype from blank paper so you know what goes where.

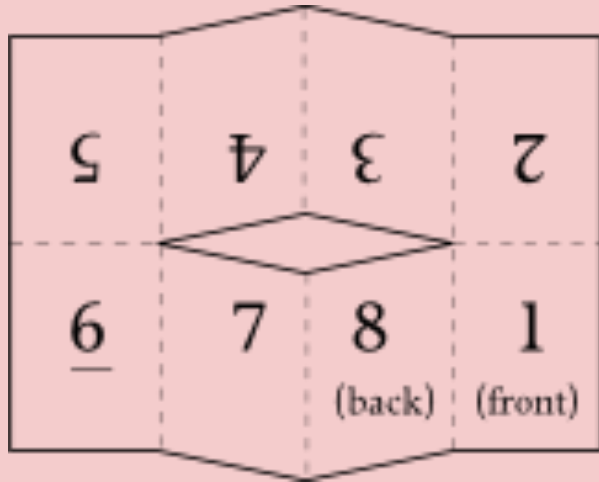
Assembling a 24-page zine



ZINE TIPS AND TRICKS

- Zines often work best with even numbers even better with multiples of 4. If you have an odd number of pages, add one page as a title page, end papers. (great for putting your name and or website/instagram)
- Unless your zine is over 25 pages, it will probably be saddle stitched. (25 pages and up usually require Perfect Bound) Saddle stitch and perfect bound can both be done on Campus. Saddle stitch is done by a simple machine that you operate similarly to a stapler. It can be found on the 9th floor. Perfect bound can be paid for at the DPC.

NOW LET'S MAKE OUR OWN



BOOK BASE

Paula Beardell Krieg
<http://bookzoo.com>

Make a short booklet out of one book base or make many of these, then link them together to create an infinitely long book.



Begin with a rectangular piece of paper.



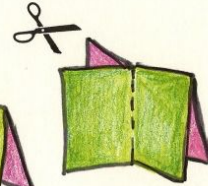
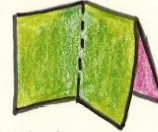
Fold in half, long side to long side.



Open.



Fold in half by folding back, short side to short side. This folding step feels a bit odd, since this second fold opposes the direction of the first fold



Cut top fold from one edge to the middle crease.



Fold in the front flap towards the front and the back flap towards the back.



A finished single book base.