## From the Museum Collection



Nature is a beautiful thing. It has inspired artists through all the ages. Like in this photograph from 1919. A simple branch of blackberry is turned into a beautiful piece of art. This photograph was in a box of darkroom equipment donated to the museum. The photographer is unknown. You can find this photograph and more at portalberni.pastperfectonline.com

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This hand painted pitcher by Josephine Wark is another example of someone using nature as inspiration. She was inspired by the environment around her home at Klistsa Lodge on Sproat Lake, here the blackberry is her object of choice. You can find this pitcher on display with other pottery pieces by Josephine in the Made By Hand display in the Alberni Valley Museum.



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In this painting bright yellow chrysanthemums caught the artist's eye. The bird in the painting is also drawn to these cheerful flowers. This piece was painted sometime before 1971 and is not signed and the artist is unknown.

Attached you will find the instructions on how to make a paper-mache bowl. When it is ready decorate, step outside and see what inspires you.

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