Rex Ray

American graphic designer and collage artist best known for his innovative pop aesthetic in fine paper and commercial art.

From R2studio website rexraystudio.com

"His technique involved a complicated process that combined Xerography, handmade block prints, newsprint and magazine images into vibrant color schemes with parabolic forms and abstract patterns. His work references Mid Century Modernism, Dada, decorative arts, Fluxus, and Pop Art. His work continues to speak to ideas of beauty during eras known for post-modernist and conceptual ideologies."

Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rex Ray

Website: www.rexraystudio.com

Videos:

https://www.pbs.org/video/rex-ray-how-to-make-a-rex-ray-g0ko4d. (56:39)

Rex Ray at gallery 16, 14 Feb 2009, making a collage in the museum of Contemporary Art, Denver, (5:50) with an audience. https://youtu.be/O0X4jmijL9M

Rex Ray Discolaria, (3:02) describes how he makes paper collages. https://youtu.be/lyyMxPgZsuo

Articles:

A Picture is a Word:the Posters of Rex Ray - GLBT Historical Society https://www.glbthistory.org/rex-ray

Colourful Beautiful Things https://www.colourfulbeautifulthings.co.uk/rex-ray/

Obituary: with photo https://www.kqed.org/arts/10379517/finding-beauty-along-the-edges-remembering-rex-ray-1956-2015

Additional resources:

From an interview

https://professorstevenskovholt.com/2015/02/23/the-professor-offers-excerpts-from-an-artistic-life-or-Rex-ray-x-rayed/

Books:

Rex Ray by Griff Williams; Chronicle Books (3 March 2020)

Rex Ray, Art and Design by Michael Paglia, Douglas Coupland (2007)

