## Elizabeth Chapin Treespell

Creating a stuffed tree! Duration: 30 min

Materials Needed:

- 1) Paper
- 2) Glue
- 3) Markers
- 4) Cotton Balls

## Introduction:

- 1) Visit <a href="https://womenandtheirwork.org/current/elizabeth-chapin/">https://womenandtheirwork.org/current/elizabeth-chapin/</a> watch the artist video and look at the image gallery
  - a) Discuss with students their impressions of the exhibition
  - b) What do you think the artist was thinking about when they made this?
  - c) How does the artist use color in their work?
  - d) How does nature make you feel?

## Activity

- 1) Everyone will get two sheets of paper
- 2) Think about a tree that either you already know, or would like to create from your imagination
- 3) You can either create your own tree, or use Elizabeth Chapin's outline.
- 4) If you are creating your own tree, draw the outline.
- 5) Place both papers on top of each other, and cut out the tree.



- 6) Glue the top edges of one side of one of the papers and then press the two sheets together.
  - a) There should be an opening at the bottom to leave room to stuff the tree
  - b) Both pieces of paper should line up with each other
- 7) Color both sides of the tree
- 8) When you are done, bring the tree to an instructor and we will help you stuff your tree!
- 9) Add cotton balls to the tree and then glue the opening shut

Conclusion:

- 1) What tree did you make?
- 2) How did you choose your colors?