

# Framing a Papercut

If you'd like to get a papercut framed, follow these guidelines and suggestions. Visit [artistaviv.com/contact](http://artistaviv.com/contact) with questions.



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## Getting a Custom Frame

When you go to the frame store, choose a frame style that you like and that you think goes with the papercut. Go through the frame store's mattes to choose a background color for the papercut. When you've got all of your materials picked out, ask the framing specialist to layer the materials like so:

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Glass

Papercut

Glass

Background

Backing support

The significant item here is the second piece of glass, the one between the artwork and the background (or matte). This second piece of glass lifts the papercut away from the background and creates some shadows and depth that define the edges of the papercut more strongly.

## Getting a Standard Frame

If you're looking for a more affordable way to nicely frame your papercut, you have other options. Just choose a standard frame larger-enough than the papercut to give it breathing room. If you buy your frame in a framing store, you can ask them to point you to frames that have some extra depth inside. Then the framing specialist should be able to cut a piece of glass for you to put between the papercut and the background. You can also ask them to cut a matte to serve as the background, or get a nice piece of paper from a paper store.

Thank you for buying my art!

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