Thus the ATC movement was born and continues to thrive today. It was initiated by the Swiss artist Monique Sternman, who created an exhibition in 1999 called "Timelines." This triggered a revolution of creativity and miniaturization among artists who use different materials, techniques, and mediums to create ATC art cards. The ATC project was born.

**What is an ATC?**

**ATC's**

**Made to be sold or known as ACEO's.**

**ATC's**

**Rules:**

1. ATC's must be 2.5" x 3.5" in size.
2. ATC's are not to be sold.
3. ATC's are to be traded with the intent of trading.
4. ATC's are created with pieces of artwork, cut out from other artworks.

**How to Make an ATC**

**Step One:** Think of a subject or idea you'd like to work on. It's totally up to you! Don't be afraid to experiment and have fun!

**Step Two:** Find the substrate suitable for your chosen media. (i.e. cardstock, watercolor paper...)

**Step Three:** Cut down your substrate into cards. Remember they have to be 2.5" x 3.5" in size.

**Step Four:** Sign your ATC's! Include the title of your work, and sign your name. You can also add the date, the mediums used, your social media or even a special note!

**Step Four:** Slide your ATC into a protective sleeve or cover and you're ready to trade with someone!

**Where to Trade**

**Helpful Links:**

ATC HOW-TO'S: [https://bit.ly/2unYXHw](https://bit.ly/2unYXHw)


**Pro Tip:**

To get the most out of one sheet of 8.5" x 11" paper, start by cutting two strips 3.5" wide and one strip 2.5" wide. This makes TEN card bases for you to create on!