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Hey, y'all, and welcome to this episode of Creating with Mr. Debris. That's me. Mr. Debris. Debris. Like a cow, Very like a fruit. And I am excited for you to be here today because I am going to talk to you about my most favorite way to create. And that favorite way is using trash. Yeah, I said it. Trash like this empty tin can, this old cardboard box.

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I love to create with trash. Some people call it recyclable material, but because if you recycle it and reuse it, it stays out of your landfill. And I've got some examples of some trash that was in my house, in my neighborhood that I made art that was inspired by a very special artist named Tyree Guyton. This is his story, Magic Trash, the story of Tyree Garton Guyton and his art written by Jay SHAPIRO.

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SHAPIRO and illustrated by Vanessa Brantley Newton. And let me show you those people I love to show show people. This is Jay SHAPIRO and she's with Tyree. Got in right there. That's a real live picture of them. And then here is the illustrator of the book, Vanessa Brantley Newton. I love for you to see those faces of the people who create the book.

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But more importantly, I wanted you to see Tyree Guyton. Look at the back of the book. You'll see a picture of him and his creations, some things that he was doing here. Let me tell you a little bit about this, this book and how he inspired me to make art with my own trash. He he lived in a neighborhood in deep near Detroit, Michigan.

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And he noticed one day there was lots of lots of things that could be considered trash just lying around on his street. You know, sometimes people litter and they shouldn't do that. And he wanted to clean up his neighborhood. So he decided to take the things that were laying around the neighborhood that weren't very pretty to look at and to turn them into pieces of art.

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And I was so inspired when I read his work that I began to create with art, with trash. And I want to show you some of the things. I want to show you some things. Okay. So so this first thing is this is a piece of artwork that hangs this literally hangs on the wall in my office.

It's an old scrap piece of wood that I found laying in the street.

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And these pieces of wood here are old strips of wood that came off a shelf that had sat in my back yard and got wet. Yeah, it was the wooden shelf and this piece of wood they stripped off and I painted them. It wasn't this car, painted them. And then of course, they painted the bird. And so all of that was trash.

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Another thing that I've made out of trash you may have seen on other videos of mine on here, my pencils and pens in a tin can with color tape. Yeah, it's just an old tin can that was going to be Throw it away. I just wrapped it up in tape, created a little pencil holder there. This is another piece of art that I was created with.

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Just a stick I found in the yard. Yeah, just a random stick. And I was like, Hey, that looks like a bird. So I painted it and made it into a bird. This is one of my favorite pieces that I have made. You see, it's a hot air balloon with with a little cartoon. Me in there? Yeah. This base right here, this is one of those plastic containers that mushrooms come in.

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And these right here are plastic bags like you get at Walmart at the grocery store. And I just painted them and then I twisted them together and made this hot air balloon. And then I actually put it on this canvas with the old bread tie that I had. You know, the little things that you top your bread with.

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Yeah, twisted it up in there. Another thing, one of my favorite things, I'm going to try it on for you. It's it's a hat that I made. You might be thinking, what is he do? And Mr. De Bears lost his mind today. Yeah. This is a hat that I made. And guess what this ad is made out of?

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It's made out of a cereal box and a frozen pizza box. Yeah, let me give let me show you. Here, look, you can see right here, cinnamon toast Crunch. See it? Yeah. And then in the inside. Yeah. I don't know if you can see it, but it is the. It's a pepperoni pizza box. Yeah. So trash can really make great art.

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And very quickly, I want to show you my thought process of how I turn a piece of trash into art. Now, here is a cardboard box. Hold some pop tarts. I cut it open before we started the video, and I am going to fold it backwards. So there's nothing but the cardboard showing. Okay. And I'm going to close it just like it was a normal box.

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Okay. And I'll need a little piece of tape here. I've got some tape handy. I cut some tape beforehand so I would be ready for this. So I'm going to tape it backwards where I can see only the outside of the box. Right, or the inside of the box. You want it to be like a closed structure. Because what my thinking is, is this a little piece of trash?

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Oh, and now this bin. Funny here I loved it when things messed up while I'm video and so you can see how a problem solved because art is all about problem solving and so when it doesn't work like quite like I want it to that's really a good moment, you know, because then it shows you how I solve my problem.

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I think I need another piece of tape there. Let me put a piece of tape on it. You're seeing how the real process of me creating works sometimes is really, really quick, and sometimes it's really it kind of messes up and my tape isn't sticking. It's because my box is collapsing here. But that's okay. I want you all to see this process.

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So, you know, creating with trash can be a little bit tricky. There we go. Got it. And then I'm going to close this top part and put some tape on there. And now I've got this plain cool box to work with. And when I see this box, it could be I could use this like an art canvas, but when I see I see a building and I want to turn this into a building, so I'm going to put some windows on it with this little pieces of tape, you could use paper and then I'm going to put a door.

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All right, now what do I need? What else do I need? I think I need a roof. Hold on. I got some. I got some stuff over here. Let me I got a you know what? I keep I keep a whole bag of stuff nearby that I can create with. Have you. Have you ever seen one of those?

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Yeah. This magic trash. Let's old piece of ribbon here. Some scrap paper. You ever see one of those? Yeah, I bet you have. There's all kinds of things that you can create artwork with that is going to be in your landfill. Look at this. Even this, I bet seeing where these the little sleeve that comes on your coffee cup.

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Okay, so if I've got a little window, I've got two windows and I've got a door I want, I need a roof now and so I found this little scrap piece of paper that would make a nice little roof, wouldn't it? Yes. What I'm going to need some more of might need a little piece of tape to help me get it stuck on there.

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So I'm going to put the tape down here on the bottom, make that fit on one side. Now, as I'm making this, I'm also thinking maybe I could have colored the roof before I put it up there. But for the sake of the video, I'm just showing you out today how to do the build very quickly, and then you can decide how you want to create it.

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All right. So I've got a little house with a little roof. What if I wanted to make a little tree that goes by the house? Okay, let's see. I could use this for the tree. When to cut that so it's not too tall. Okay, what? What kind of what could go right here to make the tree beside the house?

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Let me see what I have on my back here. I've got all kinds of stuff. Oh, I have another idea. What if I take this toilet paper roll? Cut it open. Hey, look at this. I didn't have, you know this, but when you cut open a paper towel or toilet paper roll, it gives you a good little canvas.

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And then what you can do is just cut out the top of a tree. Looks like I'm going to cut it out right here. It's going to be just round. It doesn't have to be perfect because we're just play and we're just creating. Remember, creating doesn't have to always be perfect. Here we are just learning how to play with the materials that we have.

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Where's my green marker? I can take some green marker, put some little squiggles on there like a tree. And all while I'm doing this, I'm thinking about my friend Tyree Guyton, the artist who changed his whole neighborhood by cleaning up the trash and turning it into art. Now, why is the word mildew here? I'm going to put some little snips here because that'll help this little piece of the tree go down in there and stand up.

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So now we got a little house with a little tree. What else do we need? What else could we add? What if we wanted to add some color to the to the roof? You could take this and glue it onto the roof. You could take your milk carton. And you know what? You could take your milk carton and cut it out and make a little person.

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Let's do that. Let's cut open our milk carton. Hope there's no milk in here. I just need a piece of cardboard from this little milk carton because I. I didn't want this to go in the trash. I'm going to use it to make art. Yeah. And then remember how we if you've seen the other video where we made the Keith Haring inspired art, we can take this little creature.

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If you haven't seen that video, you can pass. This will go. Watch out. We take this little cardboard and make a little Keith Haring inspired person. Just cut out our little arms and then our legs make sure I cut them just right because we want to try and make it stand up. I hope you all can see that.

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See, this is what I love about creating with trash. When I was little, I used to always want my art to be so perfect. Right? And I bet some of you were like, Oh, I can't, because my art won't be perfect, but. And sometimes it would keep me from doing the art, right? It would keep me from creating.

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But when I started using trash, I was like, Hey, I can't mess up trash. It's going to go in the trash. And so I just it was very freeing to me. No, look, now I got a little person that lives in my house, and now I've got a person, a tree. The little house, and now I can make up a story about them.

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And it was all inspired by Tyree Guyton and his magic trash. Look how quickly all of this stuff that was supposed to go in the trash can turned into a little piece of art that I created. I love this, and I hope you love it, too, and I would love to see what you create. Would you share it with me on social media at at Mister Dairy Berry on Instagram or Twitter?

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I would love to see your artwork tag me and what you make show off your great creations. And even if nobody else like that, I will like it and you will like it. And it is magic trash that we made and I can't wait to see it. And the most important thing that you remember about all of this experience was that no matter what, it was a great day to create.

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Thanks for joining me for this episode and we'll see you next time.