The Other Butterfly

Create a Special Butterfly Necklace
& Reflect on Your Own Unique Story
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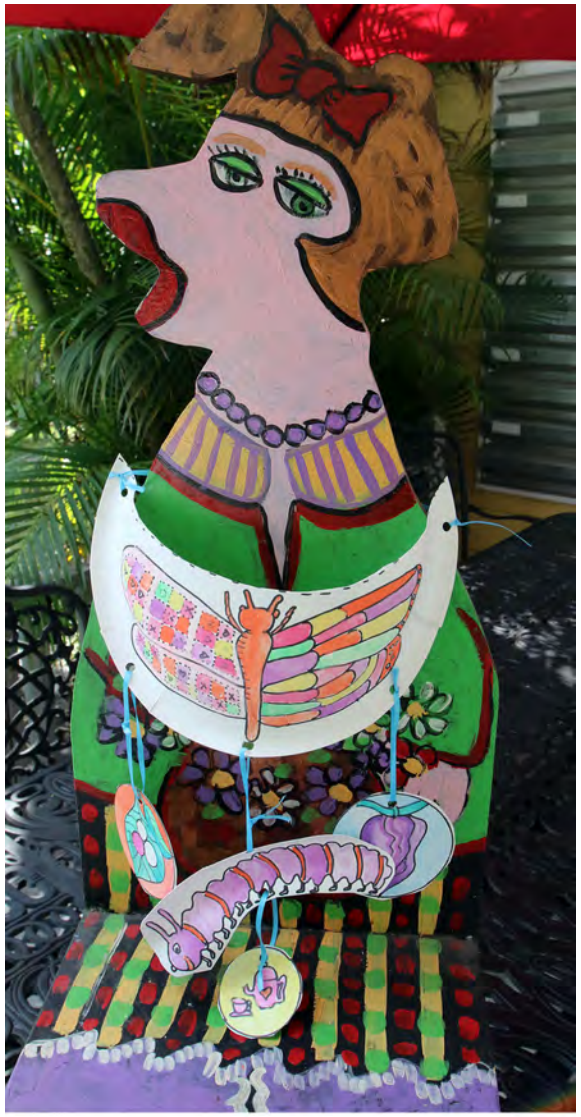

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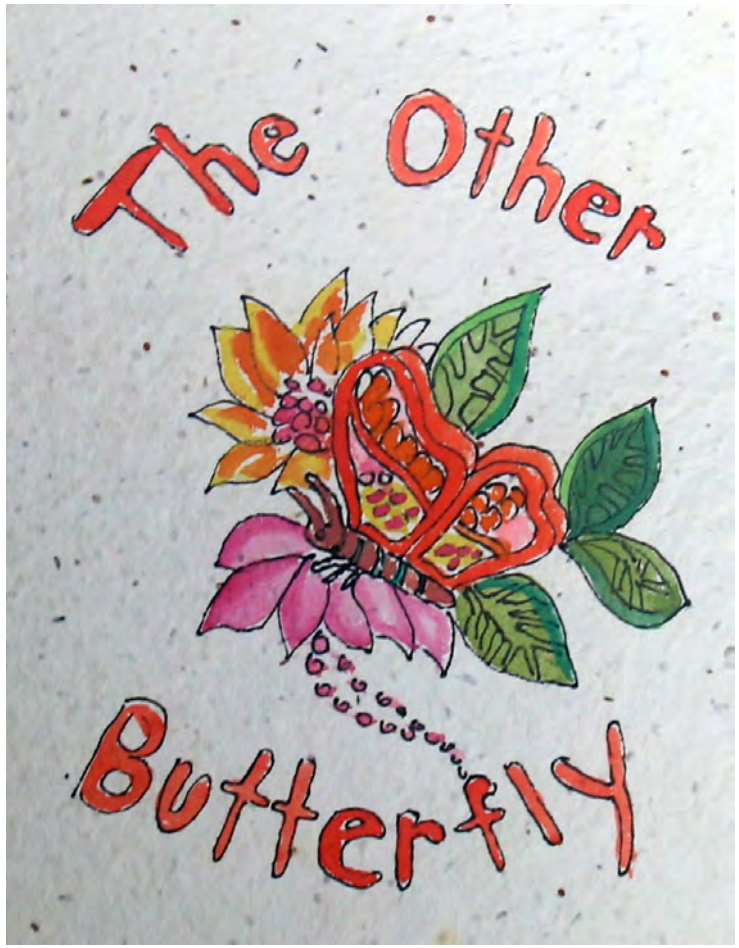
This is a story about a butterfly who was born without a wing.

The butterfly was different and felt alone.

Have you ever felt different and alone?

Write or share your story.

Draw your story.



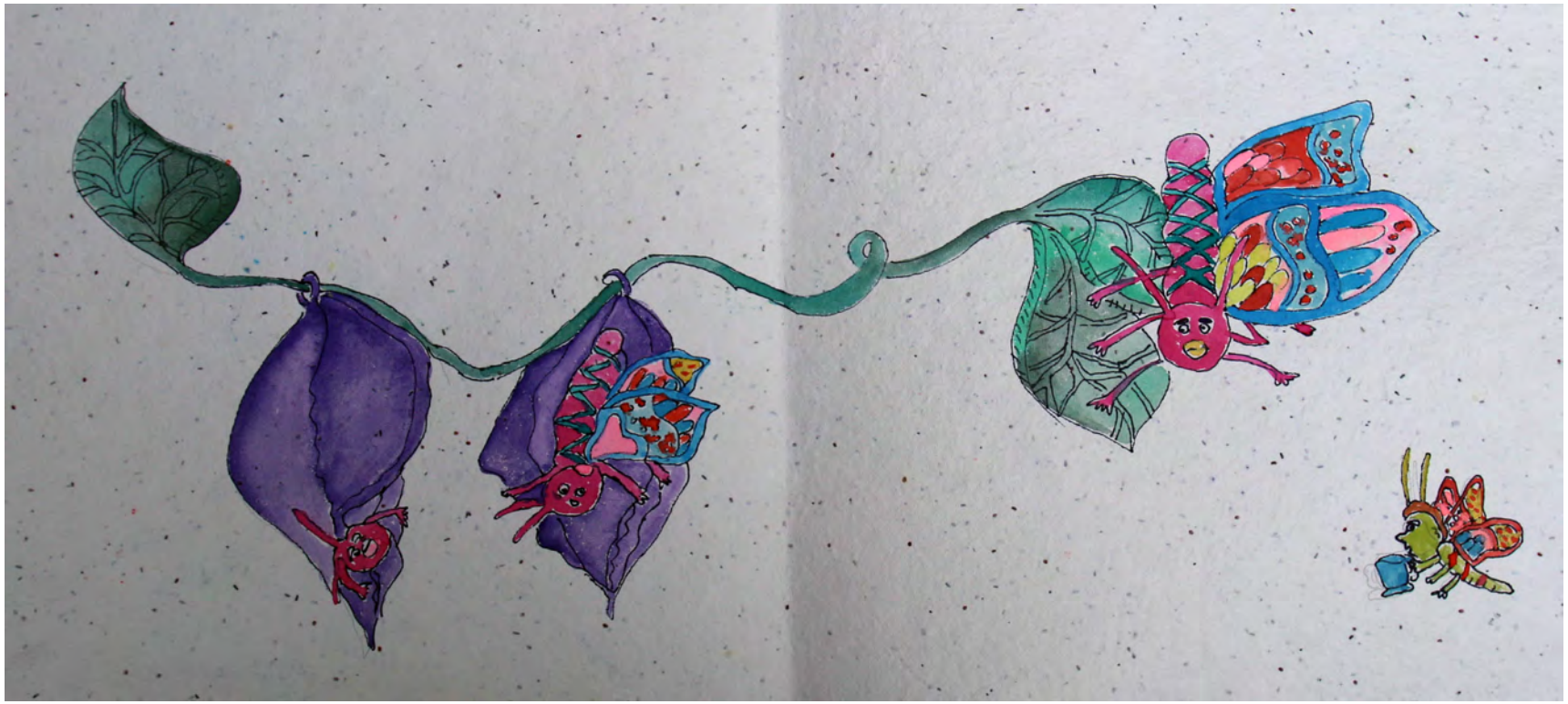
The egg was pink

The butterfly noticed the egg looked different.

This caterpillar looked different

When the caterpillar hatched out of the egg it looked different.

The caterpillars ate and ate preparing themselves for the chrysalis



The butterfly came out and had one wing!

“Only one wing!”

The lady butterflies had tea to discuss what they could do for a butterfly with one wing.
“A butterfly cannot fly with one wing,” they said.

Stitched a special wing

A group of caterpillars stopped munching on their leaves and took some fabric and thread and sewed a wing for their friend. It was a wing “quilt”.

Have you ever made a present for a friend? What was it? Can you use a needle and thread? Maybe your mother or aunt can teach you.

A Trip to the Hospital

The butterfly went to the hospital and there a doctor sewed on the new wing.

Have you ever been sick? What happened to you and how did you recover?

Miracles Happen!

When the butterfly healed she moved her new wing and said, “I can fly!” She flew up into the sky.

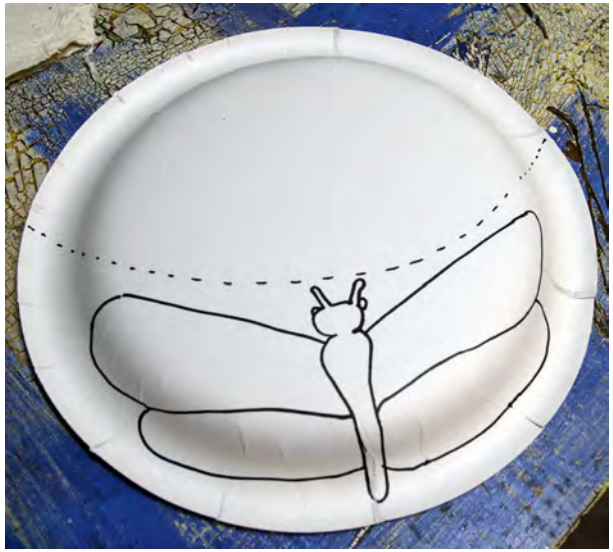
When have you felt so happy you could fly to the sky?

Butterfly Necklace Supplies

- Paper plate
- Sharpie
- Scissors
- Watercolors, brushes
- Ribbon
- Hole punch

My Butterfly Necklace

Draw a dotted line across the paper plate. Draw the head and body and then add wings to both sides. On one side draw the wings in long rounded shapes. Leave the other wing blank.



The Quilted Wing

Add a some dotted lines to look like squares onto the blank wings. Then add hearts, Os and Xs. The wing will look like your grandma's quilt.

Take a cup and trace two circles around the top of the paper plate.

Draw in the four stages

Add the leaf and eggs in one circle. The chrysalis in the other and a small tea pot in the small circle. Draw the caterpillar across the top of the plate.

Give the caterpillar some feet

Watercolor the drawings

Watercolor the stages in bright colors. Add colors to the backgrounds.

Paint the butterfly

Remember to paint the egg pink. The stages of the butterfly can be all your favorite colors.

Cut out the shapes

Punch holes to attach each piece

Tie a ribbon to each piece

Necklace completed

Take ribbon
and tie all pieces
to the main
butterfly necklace.

Sit down a have
a tea party with
your family to
celebrate!

More Information

- Books:
  - The Very Hungry Caterpillar –Eric Carle
  - Where Butterflies Grow --Joanne Ryder
  - I Wish I Were A Butterfly– James Howe
- • Waiting For Wings—Lois Ehlert
- • Website:
- • Butterflywebsite.com/educate/life-cycle
- • Please send a photo of your completed work to
- info@cceflorida.org along with your name, age and city.
- Please share your projects with your friends #CCEFlorida

Artist Information

Jean Howard moved to South Florida in 1990 to work as a photo editor and photographer for *The Palm Beach Post.* She began to teach after she and her husband adopted two sons and worked with the Center for Creative Education for over a decade before teaching art at Sacred Heart School for several years while her youngest son attended school there. She returned to CCE 1n 2018 to work as a teaching artist.

Ms. Howard worked in publishing in New York and Chicago before earning an M.A. in Photojournalism from Ohio University and she has a Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Missouri.

Ms. Howard Is a documentary photographer and also a visual watercolor storyteller. She draws and paints watercolors on recycled seed paper. Her work represents a variety of life's metaphors. She also continues to document mothers who have lost a son to gun violence in Palm Beach County for the Mothers Against Murderers Association.

Ms. Howard lives in West Palm Beach with her husband, Willie, who is a writer and a charter boat captain along with two dogs, Sophie and Boo, and two cats, Max-Cat and Molly.