



Cricut

Expectations for Cricut Use

- A Work Bench card is required to use the Cricut. Currently, we do not offer a training on how to use the Cricut. It is meant for use by patrons who would like to learn how to use a Cricut on their own or who have already used a Cricut. Creative Labs staff are not trained on using, teaching, or troubleshooting the Cricut. The Cricut is designated as a “learn on your own machine” and there is currently no badge issued or required for its use.
- The Cricut model is Expression 2.
- The Cricut may be reserved up to 2 hours per day.

What is a Cricut?

- A Cricut is a vinyl and paper cutting machine. It uses a small (very sharp!) blade similar to an X-Acto knife to make precise cuts. It can be used to make things like cards, scrapbooks, iron-ons, vinyl signage and more. We currently have a Cricut Expression 2, which is a very old model, it still works but it can be clunky. If it is popular we will look into getting a new model.

How can I learn on my own?

- We recommend that you start with some videos about the Cricut Expression 2 on YouTube to get a better handle on what they do and how they do it. There are lots of videos so if a video doesn't seem very helpful just leave it and go find another one. Once you understand the basics of what the Cricut is doing it is a good idea to start with a practice project. As you encounter issues you can search using Google and find videos or blogs that can help you figure solve the issue. It can be helpful to include our Cricut model (Expression 2) in your search query.

What if there is a problem?

- If you have a problem with the Cricut and you don't know how to fix it, please return the Cricut to the Creative Labs desk and let the staff know about the issue. They will pass along the information to the Creative Labs Librarian.