Final Project: Flower Photography

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The Art of Horticulture
First Rose Attempt
First Carnation Attempt
Things Learned

- Food coloring doesn’t work that well
  - Companies use special flower dye (purchased in bulk from distributor)
  - RIT (clothing dye) attempt

- Flowers should be thirsty
  - Dry them out in a cooler environment

- After cutting the stem it should immediately be placed in the dye
  - Oxygen seals it up quickly

- Some flowers have softer stems than others
  - Carnations vs roses vs fuji mums vs daisy pompons

- To stabilize the stem after splitting it, use flower “test tubes”

- Disagreements: Adding sugar to the water
  - Clogs up the stem or makes flower want to absorb more?
RIT Dye Attempt
Flowers in the Dye
Damage from RIT Dye
Blue Carnation
Yellow Carnation
Original Fuji Mum
Flower Photographs
Changing the Hue and Saturation
Changing the Gradient Map

- Created a more extreme pop art look
  - Inspired by Andy Warhol
- Playing with color combinations and different extremes
- Printed on a plotter
- Mounted on foam core