

EGG DROP
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Autumnal egg fall

When the dropping leaves of autumn were distracting most of us at the University of Alberta, a small group of industrial design students were nesting their thoughts on the design of the egg.

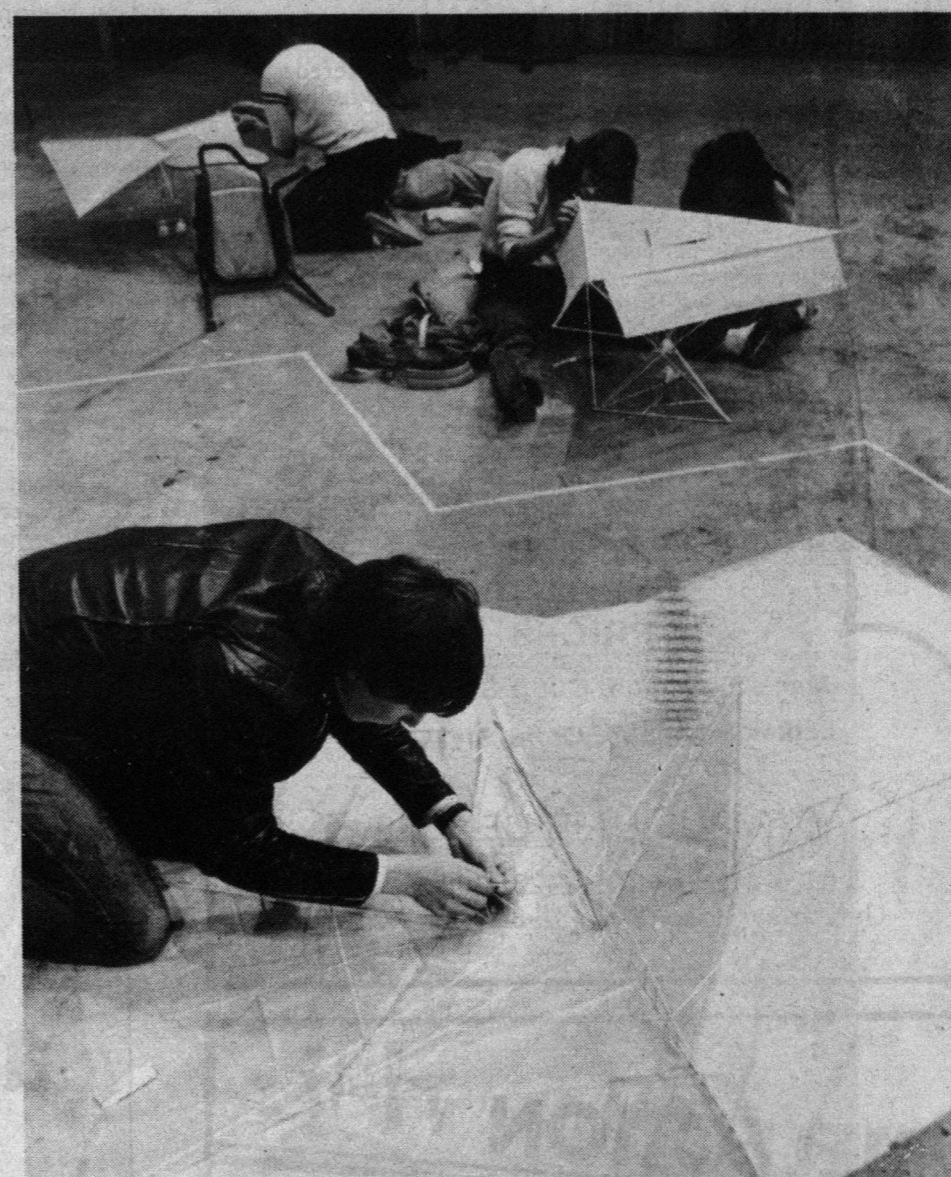
Over five dozen eggs fell from the third floor of the Fine Arts Building media room last week in an event which ITV filmed for broadcast early in November.

Twenty-one students dropped three eggs each, housed in a variety of contraptions made only of tissue paper and balsa wood.

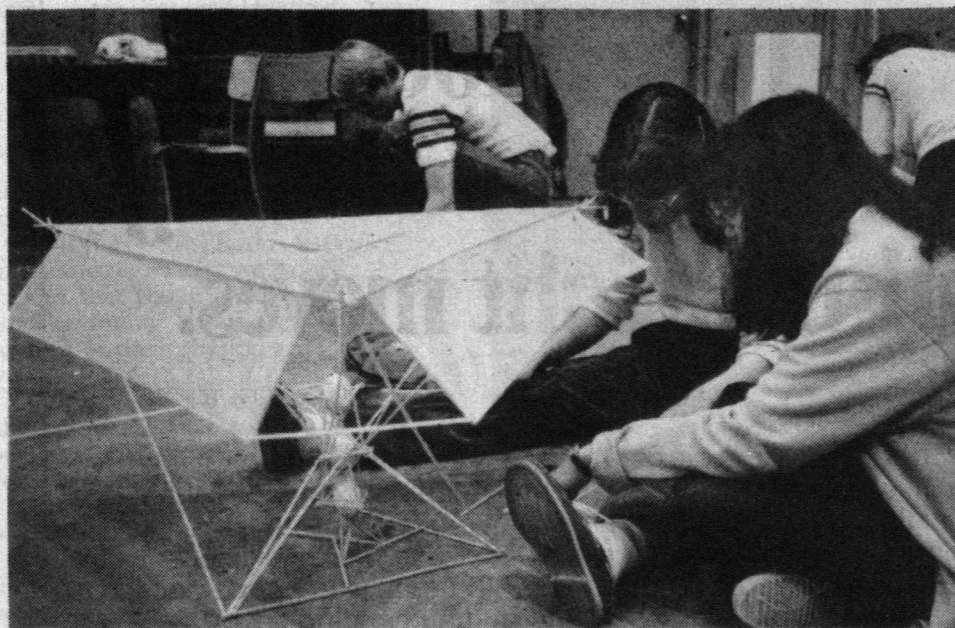
Instructor Bruce Bentz of the 373 Production Design

course explained that the task of delivering the eggs safely to the media room floor was to be a lesson in common sense as much as one in uses of materials, form, and other design fundamentals.

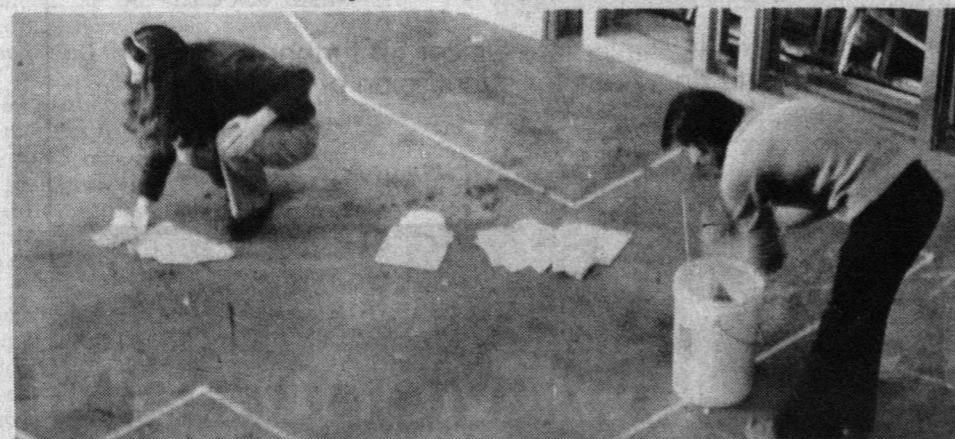
As the falling leaves outside drifted safely in the wind, the I.D. contraptions whirled, dove, glided, and parachuted to the floor. Six of the devices made safe landings. A number crash landed, leaving egg on the face of the Fine Arts' floor. Just how did this unusual Fall perform? Watch ITV's show, Sunday, November 1st, 10:30 a.m. - Inner City.



Some Industrial Design students preparing for their first flight.

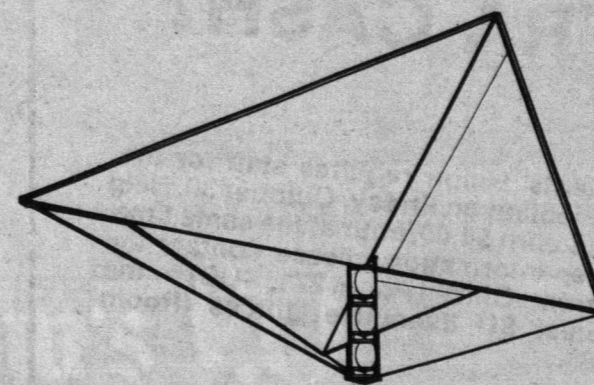


I hope this is going to work.



...and here's what happened when the flying machine didn't work...

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