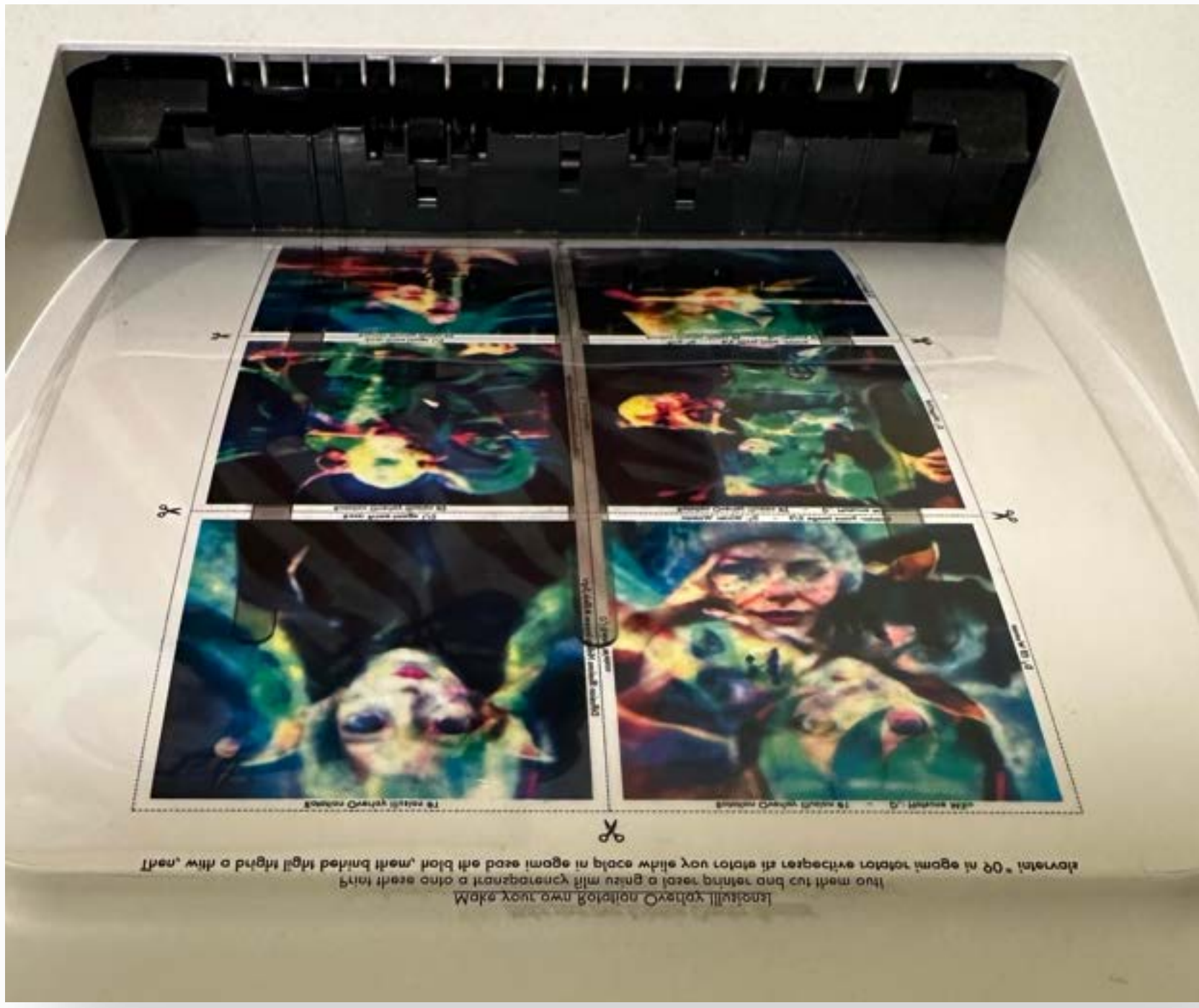# How to Make Overlay Illusions
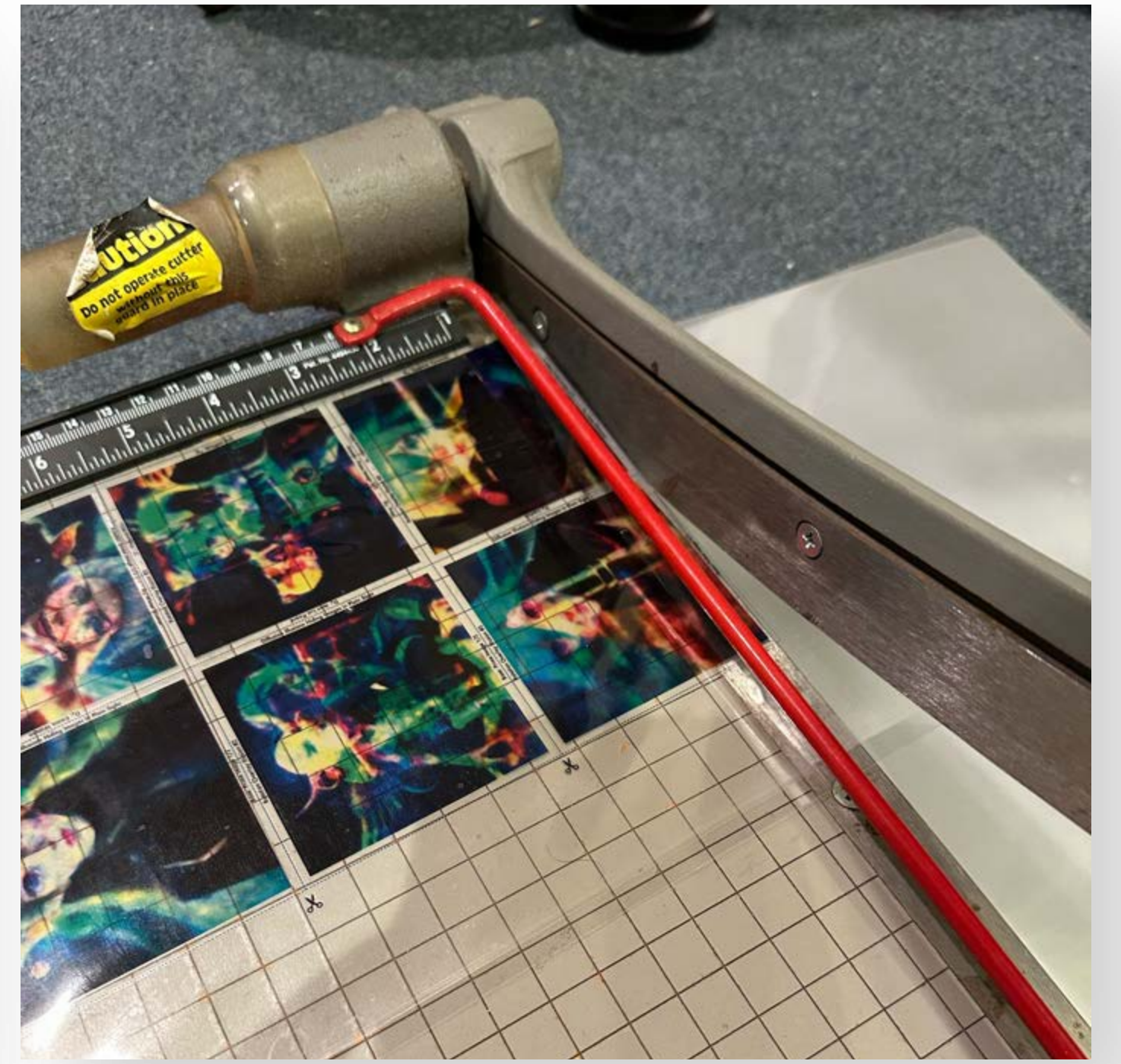
Step 1: Print
Use a laser printer, ideally
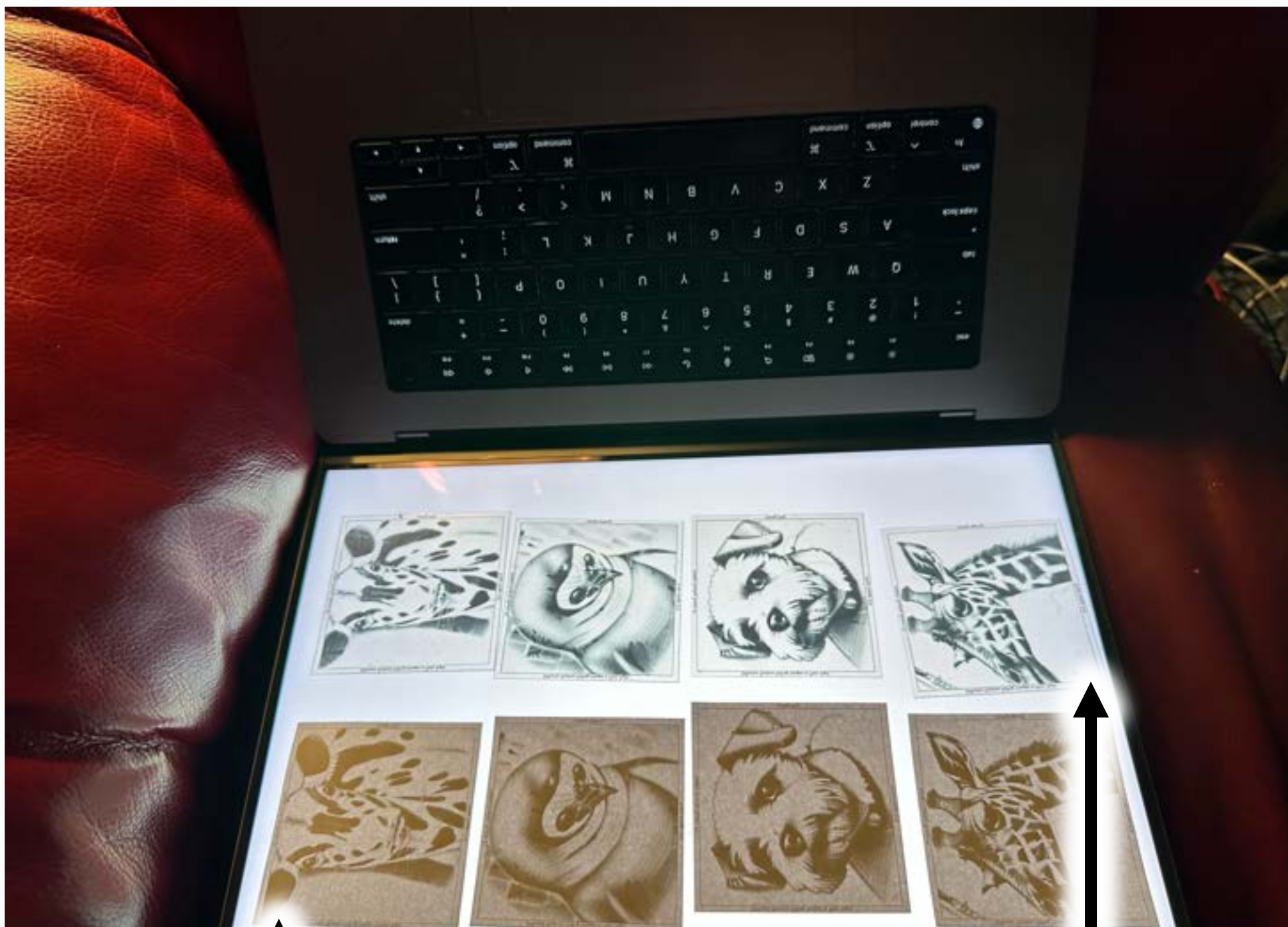on a transparency film

Step 2: Laminate
Optional, protects
them from scratches

Step 3: Cut Out
Be precise! It should be
easy – they're rectangles

Step 4: Put on Backlight
Brighter is better. Depicted below:
an upside-down MacBook screen

For comparison:
Printed on transparency
Printed on paper

Step 5: Stack Them
Place the overlays on top of each other
Let the backlight shine through them
The less light reflected off the top, the better

Step 5 (if using paper):
If you printed onto paper instead of a transparent film,
you may need to use a brighter backlight (such as a ceiling light).
In this case, face the back of the paper towards you