



Homemade Halloween: 31 Free Halloween Craft Projects

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Letter from the Editors

Dear Reader,

Have a crafty countdown to Halloween with 31 free Halloween craft projects. This eBook is full of great Halloween decorating ideas. Indulge a favorite decorating theme with four unique Halloween wreath crafts, such as the Happy Halloween Ribbon Wreath (pg. 32). For another favorite theme, find great Halloween ghost crafts to decorate your home, including Ghostly Luminaries (pg. 25).

Are you throwing a Halloween party? Find Halloween card crafts to invite your friends and family to a festive and spooky bash. Find Halloween party favor crafts for your guests, including great ways to pass out Halloween candy. You will even find a collection of Halloween mask crafts to complete your homemade costume or provide a fun activity at your party.

These Halloween craft projects are great for families to do together. Find a whole section of Halloween crafts devoted to kids. These are a great activity for Halloween parties for kids, or can help kids get ready for Halloween.

Happy Halloween!

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Easy Halloween Crafts

Bat Wind Chime

Use a clay pot to create this adorable bat wind chime for Halloween. Welcome trick-or-treaters to your home with this fun Halloween accent.



Materials:

- Aleene's® Super Thick Tacky Glue™
- Drill with 1/8" drill bit
- 2" diameter wooden ball
- 4-1/4" diameter clay pot
- Acrylic paint: black, orange, lime
- Paintbrush
- Pop-up craft sponge
- Waxed paper
- Dimensional paint: white, black, pink, green, orange
- Small wind chimes
- Black craft foam
- 9" (5/8" wide) orange ribbon
- Pattern

Instructions:

Drill hole through wooden ball. Paint ball and clay pot black. Let dry. Transfer triangle pattern to pop-up sponge and cut 2. Dip each into water to expand and wring out excess water. Pour separate puddles of orange and lime paints onto waxed paper. Dip each sponge into 1 color of paint and blot excess paint on side of waxed paper. Continue to blot until color is evenly distributed on sponge. Do not oversaturate the sponge. Press sponge on rim of pot and lift. Alternate colors. Let design dry. Wash sponge thoroughly and store for future use.

Paint face on wooden ball. Let dry.

Apply glue to top of windchimes. Working from inside pot, thread wind chimes hanger through hole in bottom of pot. Pull wind chimes up to pot and glue in place. Let dry. Thread wind chimes hanger through hole in wooden ball head, working from bottom to top and pushing head down onto pot bottom. Glue head in place on pot. Let dry.

Transfer patterns to foam and cut 1 wings and 2 ears. Trim bottom edge of each ears to fit curve of head. Glue ears in place on head. Let dry. Referring to photo, paint inner ears and details on wings with orange dimensional paint. Let dry. Glue wings to back of pot. Tie ribbon into bow. Glue bow to front of pot, just below head. Let dry.

Heidi's tip: Practice stamping design on side of waxed paper several times before stamping onto pot. If your design doesn't stamp in its entirety on bag, simply load sponge with paint again, re-align stamp and re-stamp design. Also, remember when using dimensional paint that you continue to shake the bottle contents down to avoid air bubbles while applying.

Candy Corn Ornaments

By: Noelle Faulkner for Jacquard Products

Here's a quick and easy way to make fun treats for your Halloween party. Make a whole bowl full or hang them on a dried branch! Personalize the ribbons!



Materials:

• Piñata Color: Calabaza Orange

ExtravOrganza

• Lumiere: Burnt Orange

Pearl Ex Stamp Pad Reinker: Black

Square glass ornament

Paintbrush

Candy Corn

Instructions:

 Paint the ornament by squirting some Calabaza Orange Pinata into a plastic palette and use a small sponge brush to dab it on the outside of the ornament (when filling with candy it's best to leave the inside un-painted). Paint the metal cap as well. Work quickly, the Pinata Color dries fast.

- 2. When the ornament is completely dry, squirt some Pearl Ex Black from the Reinker into your palette and paint the Jack-o-Lantern face.
- 3. Print the ExtravOrganza. Lay out a bunch of ribbons at the same time to make the best use of the ExtravOrganza sheet. It's a good idea to print a test sheet using plain paper to check text size and spacing. Set the page layout to 'landscape' to create the longest length of ribbon then choose print settings for thicker paper and maximum flow of ink. I like to pump up the color saturation, especially if I'm printing colored text. Leave enough room at margins and between lines of text to allow for cutting and fringing. Load ExtravOrganza into your printer one sheet at a time, making sure to print on the fabric side of the sheet, and print. Cut the text ribbon, peel off the paper back and fringe the edges.
- 4. Lay the text ribbon on a sheet of scrap paper and paint with Lumiere—Burnt Orange using a flat brush. It will dry fairly quickly and stick to the paper so lift your ribbon off before this happens.
- Add black polka dots to the ribbon with the Black Pearl-Ex Stamp Pad Re-inker. I squirted a bit out into a plastic palette and used a tiny round sponge to make my dots.
- 6. Assemble the favor by carefully removing the metal cap from the ornament and filling with Candy Corn (or other yummy treat that will fit through the top).
- 7. Replace cap.
- 8. Tie ExtravOrganza ribbons to the top. Ta Da!!!! Cute little treats for your Halloween bash!

Plump Pretty Pumpkins

By: Kathleen George for Styrofoam Brand Foam

These pumpkins look the real deal while "Halloweening," any part of your yard or house. A great decoration for halloween!



Materials:

- STYROFOAM™ Brand Products:
 - o 1-6" ball of STYROFOAM Brand Foam
- 1-10" x 18" sheet dark green corrugated paper
- 1- 1/4 yd. quilt batting
- 6- 12" x 5" calico scraps
- Florist wire
- Old candle
- 3 rubber bands
- Glue gun and glue sticks or craft glue
- Cuticle scissors
- Pencil
- Serrated knife
- Felt tip marker
- Pattern

Instructions:

 Mark off 6 equal sections on ball of STYROFOAM. Mark center of top and bottom of ball; place 3 rubber bands

- around ball, crossing bands at the top and bottom, and positioning them so they form 6 equal sections. Draw lines around ball next to rubber bands.
- 2. Cut off a 1/2" slice from bottom and top of ball with knife. Remark center of top and bottom; using tip of pencil, create hole at each end that is 3/4" wide and deep. Redraw section lines that were sliced off. Using sharp pencil, trace over vertical lines, creating 1/4" deep grooves.
- 3. Enlarge patterns to actual size: A is 8-1/4" x 2-1/2", B is 9-1/4" x 3" and C is 10-3/4" x 4-3/4".
- 4. Cut 6 pieces of batting from Patterns A and B. Center and glue batting piece A to each section of the ball. Center and glue batting piece B on top of smaller pieces, staying within section lines. Cut 6 pieces of fabric from Pattern C.
- 5. Beginning with one section and working around the pumpkin, center a fabric piece over scored lines. Position knife on lines and push seam allowances into foam. For a clean crisp "seam," hold knife straight up and down. Push excess fabric into the holes at top and bottom of the ball; carefully trim excess fabric.
- 6. Cut a 1-1/2" x 10" strip of corrugated paper. Roll tightly to create stem, gluing end to hold. Cover one end in glue and push into top of pumpkin. Cut leaves from remaining paper. Coat tip of leaf in glue and push into top of pumpkin beside stem.
- 7. Wind florist wire around pencil to make tendrils and glue into hole next to stem.

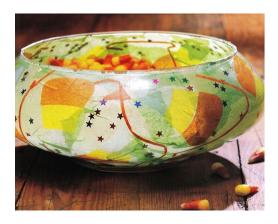
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Candy Corn Bowl

By: Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home

Use tissue paper in Halloween colors to turn a plain glass bowl into a cute container for candy corn and other treats. This quick and easy craft is a great way to decorate for Halloween.



Materials:

- Aleene's® Paper Applique Glue®
- Tissue paper: white, yellow, orange, light green
- Clear glass bowl
- Paintbrush flat
- Orange paper shreds
- Metallic star confetti
- Pattern

Instructions:

Transfer patterns to tissue paper and cut 1 white tip, 1 yellow center, and 1 orange base for each piece of candy corn. Working over small area at a time, brush coat of glue on inside of bowl in desired position. Press tissue paper pieces into glue to form 1 piece of candy corn. Brush coat of glue on top of tissue paper pieces, pressing out any air bubbles with fingers or wet brush. Repeat to apply tissue paper pieces for additional candy corn designs. Apply glue to inside of bowl and press paper shreds and star confetti into glue.

Tear light green tissue paper into random pieces. Crumple each paper piece and then flatten it, leaving some wrinkles. Working over small area at a time, brush coat of glue on inside of bowl in desired area. Press 1 tissue paper piece into glue-covered area. Brush coat of glue on top of paper, wrinkling paper to add texture. In same manner, apply additional paper pieces, overlapping them for added dimension, until you reach desired effect. Let dry.

Heidi's designer tip: This tissue paper layering technique works best when you keep the surface moist with glue. Any time the brush starts to tear the tissue or feels like it's sticking, just dip it in and apply more glue. Don't overdo it with the glue, just keep the surface moist until the final piece of tissue is applied.



Glitzy Halloween Swag

By: Diane Flowers for Styrofoam Brand Foam

Do it yourself Halloween craft with swag. It's an easy craft and when it's done you can hang it anywhere. Add your personal touch to it.



Materials:

- STYROFOAM™ Brand Foam:
 - o Disc, 10" x 1"
 - Stars, one each: 6" x 1", 4" x 1"
- Halloween words, Decorative
 Halloween-themed papers: dot, stripe
- Candle stub or paraffin
- Assorted Halloween-themed stickers
- Black eyelash yarn
- Serrated knife
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Black corrugated paper
- Paper glue
- Low-temp glue gun and glue sticks
- Thick, white craft glue

Instructions:

- Wax serrated knife with candle stub or paraffin. Draw crescent moon shape on foam disc and cut out. Note: Electric foam-cutting tool may also be used in place of waxed knife.
- 2. Trace moon and stars onto dot paper; cut out and glue paper to foam.
- 3. Using photo as a guide, mat stickers on cardstock and decorative paper; adhere to moon and stars.
- 4. Cut four 4" lengths from yarn. Wad yarn pieces into balls and glue to moon and stars as shown.
- 5. Cut one 60" length from yarn and fold in half to form hanger. Position shapes as shown and glue hanger to back of each shape.

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Halloween Cards

Dracula Halloween Party Invite

By: Dee Gruenig for Posh Impressions

This Dracula Halloween invite shows the lighter side of Halloween with a fun cartoon drawing and design. These are great for a child's Halloween party.



Materials:

- Stamps in Spooky set: Vampire, Come for a Bite, Dopey Spider
- Stamps in Best Witches set: Fierce Spider, Spider Web
- Stamps in Border set, Checkered Border stamp used as a pedestal
- Stamps in Inside Words set, For, Date, Time, Place, R.S.V.P. stamp. Most stamps are also available as single stamps.
- Opaque Sticker paper
- Marvy Matchable red stamp pad
- Red Marvy brush art marker
- Black Marvy brush art marker
- White pigment stamp pad
- White embossing Powder
- Fine tipped black pen and ruler

Instructions:

- 1. Purchase blank card set or fold cardstock so that 40% of card is front portion & 60% is back portion.
- 2. Draw vertical lines along front of card with ruler.
- 3. Place red stamp pad on right hand margin and drag repeatedly to get color consistency desired. If needed, add line from red Marvy pen to make edge straight on left side.
- 4. Stamp Come for a Bite with white stamp pad. Actual card shows white while this screen shows it as gray.
- 5. Place embossing powder over image stamped with white pigment pad and heat with heat gun.
- 6. Stamp For, Date, Time, Place, R.S.V.P. on inside
- 7. Stamp pedestal, vampire, spiders and web on sticker paper.
- 8. Cut items on sticker paper leaving 1/32" margin all around.
- 9. Place where wanted before removing backing.
- 10. Remove backing and stick permanently in place.

This Dracula Halloween invite shows the lighter side of Halloween with a fun cartoon drawing and design. These are great for a child's Halloween party.



Frankenstein Card

By: Melony Bradley for Uchida of America, Corp.

Use cardstock and craft punches to create a Frankenstein card for Halloween. This free papercraft is quick and easy to make and your friends will love getting it in the mail.



Materials:

- Marvy® Uchida Clever Lever Craft Punches- Super Jumbo oval, Extra Jumbo Circle, Circle
- Marvy® Uchida Long Reach punch- 1/8"
- Marvy® Uchida Le Plume Marker- black
- Marvy® Uchida Dye Based inkpad- black
- 5 x 6 1/2 white card
- Cardstock- light purple, dark purple, green, black, yellow, white, black
- Orange Words patterned paper
- Two black photo turns, two green brads, two black brads, small safety pin
- Black grosgrain ribbon- 3/8"
- Beacon Adhesives™ Zip Dry Paper Glue
- Halloween sentiments stickers
- Marvy® Uchida Paper Trimming Buddystraight blade
- Marvy® Uchida Squishy Scissors

- Cut light purple cardstock slightly smaller than card with paper trimmer. Ink edges with inkpad.
- 2. Cut light green cardstock, dark purple and orange paper, and yellow cardstock to 1" x 4" strips for a total of five strips. Round corners of each strip with scissors and ink edges with inkpad. Assemble strips approx 1/2" apart in center of light purple cardstock rectangle for Frankenstein head. Secure with paper glue. Cut two 1/2" x 1 1/2" green strips for neck bolts and glue to sides of head.
- 3. Punch two circles from the green cardstock with the extra jumbo punch and one oval. Punch two purple circles with the extra jumbo punch and two circles from the white cardstock.

 Arrange pieces for nose, cheeks, and eyeballs. Punch two holes in eyes and insert black brads for pupils. Adhere to card with paper adhesive.
- 4. Attach two photo turns and green brads to sides of head as shown. Trim black cardstock to 1" x 4". Cut triangles with scissors for hair. Glue hair to top of head. Use black marker to doodle around edges and draw mouth in zig zag pattern. Draw stitches at top right of head.
- 5. Cut white cardstock to fit sentiment. Punch hole for safety pin with long reach punch and insert pin into 6" knotted ribbon in knot. Glue ribbon and sentiment to bottom of purple cardstock. Glue cardstock rectangle to center of folded card.



Halloween Boo Card

By: Nichole Huntington for American Crafts

This cute Halloween boo card is the perfect touch anyone can make for the holiday. Learn how to make your own homemade cards with cardstock, ribbon and stamps. In seven easy steps this card can be ready for mailing.



Materials:

- American Crafts AC Cards- 4 x 5 ½ (Black)
- American Crafts Specialty Paper in Pearl Polkadot finish (Black)
- AC Cardstock (Leaf and Apricot)
- American Crafts Specialty Paper in Foil Linen finish (Silver)
- American Crafts Clear Stamps Majestic set
- Thickers: Giftbox font (White)
- American Crafts Boutique Ribbon (Amber)
- Watermark ink
- Zing! Embossing Powder in Metallic
 Finish (Green) & Glitter Finish (Orange)
- Scallop Scissors

Instructions:

- 1. Cut Black Pearl Polkadot paper to 5" x 3½" and attach to front of black card.
- 2. Scallop a 3" edge of Silver Foil Linen paper and slip under Pearl paper on the left side of the card.
- 3. Tie bow using Amber Boutique Ribbon and attach to card at right of center.
- Using a watermark pen, draw a pumpkin on Apricot Cardstock. Emboss with Orange Glitter Finish Zing! embossing powder.
- Stamp Majestic stamp on Leaf AC Cardstock and emboss with Green Metallic Finish Zing! embossing powder.
- 6. Attach pumpkin to front of card.
- 7. Attach Thickers letters for title.

Project Courtesy of American Crafts



Pop-Up Tree Halloween Card

By: Deena Ziegler for Sizzix

A pop-up card with spooky Halloween tree over a full-moon is sure to impress any recipient. Send this Halloween card to invite friends to a party or just to celebrate the holiday.



Materials:

Brand Items

- 655201 Sizzix Sizzlits Decorative Strip Alphabet Die - Baby Says Yeah!
- 655326 Sizzix Sizzlits Alphabet Set
 12 Dies Tall & Gorgeous
- 655415 Sizzix Sizzlits Set 12 Dies -Calendar
- 655416 Sizzix Originals Die Owl
- 655928 Sizzix Bigz XL Die Card, Layered Elegant
- 656030 Sizzix Bigz XL Die Tree, 3-D (Pop-Up)

Other Supplies

- Cardstock
- Patterned Paper
- Extra-strong bond, double-sided tape
- Glitter Glue
- Ink
- Ribbon
- Stamps

Instructions:

Create a card base out of cardstock. Handcut a walkway out of cardstock and adhere to inside of card. Die-cut Tree Pop-Up out of cardstock, assemble and adhere to card using extra-strong bond double-sided tape. Cut a circle from patterned paper and attach to Tree. Use computer to generate and print poem. Trim poem to size, mat on cardstock, distress with chalk and adhere to card. Diecut phrase "Happy Halloween" out of cardstock and adhere to card. Die-cut bats and adhere to card and embellish with glitter glue. Die-cut Frame Back, Owl and phrase "Boo" out of cardstock and adhere to card front. Embellish with chalk and ribbon.



Halloween Party Favors

Halloween Gift Bags

By: Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home

Use craft sponges to stamp jack-o-lanterns and a friendly witch onto Halloween gift bags. These Halloween stamped bags designed by <u>Heidi</u>
<u>Borchers of Inspired at Home</u> are a great way to hand out treats to friends or Halloween party favors.



Materials:

- For all: Pop-up craft sponges
- Waxed paper
- Acrylic paint: orange, yellow, green, white, black, blush
- Paper bags: white, yellow or black
- Paintbrushes: small round tip, fine-tip
- Permanent marker black fine tip
- ¼" diameter hole punch
- 1 yard (1/8") wide ribbon or acrylic yarn: black, orange or yellow
- Pattern

Instructions:

For witch, transfer patterns and cut 1 hat, 1 blouse and 1 skirt from craft sponges. For

pumpkins, cut 1 each (1", 1-3/4" and 2" diameter) circle from craft sponges. Dip each sponge into water to expand. Wring out excess water.



Pour separate small puddles of paints onto waxed paper. Dip sponge into desired color and blot excess paint on side of waxed paper. Continue to blot until color is evenly dispursed on sponge. Do not oversaturate the sponge. Press sponge on bag and lift. Let design dry. Wash sponge thoroughly and wring out excess water before dipping into different paint color.

For white jack-o'-lantern bag: sponge-stamp pumpkins on bag. Sponge border around pumpkins using square sponge. Let dry. Use small brush and fine-tip brush to paint facial features and stems on pumpkins. Let dry. Add design details with black marker.

For yellow bag: sponge-stamp 2" pumpkin on bag. Let dry. Use small brush and fine tip brush to paint facial features and stems on pumpkins. Let dry. Add design details with black marker.

For black bag: sponge-stamp 1-3/4" pumpkin and square on bag. Let dry. Use small brush and fine-tip brush to paint facial features and stems on pumpkins. Let dry. Add design details with black marker.



For witch bag: sponge stamp using 1" sponge for witch's face and 2 pumpkins. Sponge paint skirt, hat and blouse. Paint hair, cheeks, hands and feet on witch and stem on pumpkin with fine-tip brush. Let dry. Add design details with black marker.

For each: punch holes along top of bag. Thread ribbon or yarn through holes and tie in bow on front.

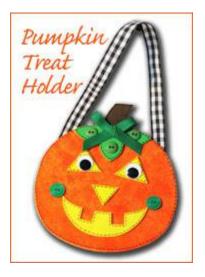
Heidi's designer tip: practice stamping design on side of waxed paper several times before stamping on bag. If your design doesn't stamp in its entirety on bag, simply load sponge with paint again, re-align stamp and re-stamp design. These stamped designs can be used on other Halloween projects including clay pots, wearables and home décor.



Pumpkin Treat Holder

By: Beacon Adhesives

In seven easy steps Beacon shows us how to make this adorable pumpkin treat holder. Great for crafting with kids when it's time for Trick or Treating. The kids can also bring this bag to school. It's quick and easy just for you.



Materials:

- CRAFTFOAM GLUE
- GEM-TAC EMBELLISHING GLUE
- Orange acrylic paint
- Craft foam sheets in orange, yellow, green & brown
- 3/8" green grosgrain ribbon, 10" length
- 5/8" black check ribbon, 13 ½" length
- Two 18mm moveable eyes
- Black permanent fine tip marker
- Three ½" green buttons
- Two 5/8" green buttons
- Scissors, sponge, ruler Pattern

- Print pattern and cut out each section.
 Trace each onto craft foam as follows: brown for the stem, green for the leaves, yellow for the eyes, nose & mouth, and orange for pumpkin and pocket.
- 2. Using a damp sponge, sponge paint the front and back of the pumpkin and one side of the pocket with the orange paint. Let dry.
- 3. Draw lines around both sides of the pumpkin, pocket, eyes, nose, mouth, leaves & stem with the fine tip marker.
- 4. Glue the pocket to back of the pumpkin leaving the top of the pocket unglued. Following the directions for CRAFTFOAM GLUE, glue on the eyes, nose, mouth, stem & leaves as in the photo.
- 5. Glue on the moveable eyes with GEM-TAC and the 5/8" green buttons at the corners of the mouth and the ½" green buttons on the leaves as in the photo.
- 6. Glue black checked ribbon to the back of the pumpkin and the black buttons onto the ends of the ribbon with GEMTAC.
- 7. Make a bow with the green ribbon, cutting the ends at an angle and glue bow onto the leaves with GEM-TAC as in photo.

Goblin Goodie Bags

By: ilovetocreate.com

Goodie getting has never been more colorful with this quick and easy project. Have a great Halloween using fashion paints, glitter and pipe cleaners.



Materials:

- Tulip® 3D Fashion Paint
 - o 65174 Natural Glow
 - o 65175 Yellow Glow
 - o 65176 Orange Glow
 - o 65177 Green Glow
- Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue®
- Bags, orange small
- Eyes
- Pipe cleaners or ribbons, small pieces for ties
- Cosmetic sponges
- Hole punch, small
- Foam stamps, small bat, cat and spider
- Acrylic paint, black

- Apply Black paint to stamp using a pouncing motion with the blunt end of the Paint Sponge. Apply an even layer of paint over the entire stamp.
 Randomly stamp on bag. Repeat using different stamp designs. Let dry.
- 2. Glue on eyes.
- 3. Embellish as desired with Glow in the Dark Paint.
- 4. Fold over top of bag and punch two holes side by side. Thread pipe cleaner or ribbons through holes. Tie.



Halloween Party Favor Bags

By: Deena Ziegler for Sizzix

Adorn candy-filled bags with spooky paper accents for easy party favors this Halloween. These Halloween bags are also a great idea for classroom celebrations.



Materials:

- 655849 Sizzix Textured Impressions Embossing Folders 5PK - Halloween Set #2
- Cardstock
- Patterned Paper
- Bag
- Buttons
- Glitter Glue
- Ribbon

- 1. Mat patterned paper on cardstock and attach to bag.
- 2. Emboss cardstock, sand to reveal pattern and attach to bag.
- 3. Embellish with glitter glue.
- 4. Place candy in bag.
- 5. Wrap several pieces of ribbon around bag and tie in a knot.
- 6. Add buttons to bag.



Halloween Masks

Homemade Halloween Masks

Create Halloween masks adorned with shapes such as bats, spider webs and candy corn. These paper Halloween masks are a great craft activity to do with groups, especially with kids. For more Halloween masks, see the <u>Halloween masks</u> section of our <u>Homemade</u> Halloween costumes article.



Instructions:

Die-cut Masks out of a variety of papers and embellish with glitter. Die-cut shapes out of colored paper and glue to one side of the Masks. Attach stick and embellish with ribbon and small jewels.

Materials:

- 655550 Sizzix Sizzlits Die Set 3PK -Charms, Halloween Set
- 655553 Sizzix Sizzlits Die Set 3PK -Spider Set
- 655554 Sizzix Sizzlits Decorative Strip Die Bats
- 655570 Sizzix Bigz Die Treat Bag & Candy
- Plain colored paper
- Glitter
- Sticks
- Ribbon
- Jewels



Martian Costume Mask

By: Carole Rogers for Kreinik

Use plastic canvas to create a fun martian mask for Halloween. This colorful mask is a great way to complete a <u>Halloween costume</u>. For another great Plastic Canvas craft, see the Neon Flame Mask.



Materials:

- Kreinik Medium (#16) Braid see color key
- 14 ct plastic canvas
- 12" black chenille stem
- 1 1/2 yds elastic cord
- #22 tapestry needle
- thick tacky glue
- Chart

- Cut mask shape from 14-count plastic canvas. Do not cut out eyes before stitching.
- 2. Stitch mask as shown on graph using 1 strand of Medium (#16) Braid. Long stitches should wrap the canvas.
- 3. When stitching is complete cut out the eyes.
- 4. Overcast eye edges and mast edges with 1 stand of of 005 Black Medium (#16) Braid. Go through a hole twice if necessary for adequate coverage.
- 5. Fold chenille stem in half. Glue one stitched circle to each end of stem to make antennae using thick tacky glue.
- 6. Glue "V" of antennae to orange area in middle of mask. Following stitching line, glue antenna in place from point out to edge of mask.
- 7. Hold mask on face and measure from mask around rest of head. Cut a piece of elastic this measurement plus 4". Thread elastic into larger needle and work end of elastic through stitching on back of mask next to eye. Pull a 2" tail and remove needle. Tie secure know in elastic. Trim end. Repeat for other side.

Fancy Cat Mask

By: DecoArt

This Halloween be the cat's meow. Create this cat mask and no one will know it's you. Using acrylics, rhinestones and a boa this DIY mask can be the hit of the night.



Materials:

- Liquid Beadz
 - o BE05C Purple
 - o BE30C Crystal Pearl
 - o BE39C Kiwi
 - o BE40C Blazing Orange
- Americana Acrylics
 - o DA229 Jack-O'-Lantern Orange
 - o DA235 Citron Green
 - o DA236 Grape Juice
 - o DA239 Warm White
- Palette Knife
- DT02 Palette Knife
- #6 shader brush
- Large purple rhinestones
- Purple feather boa
- Wooden Halloween mask by Michael's
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks
- Water container
- Paper towels
- Palette or plastic plate
- Scissors

Instructions:

- 1. Paint mask face and handle Grape Juice.
- 2. Paint cat's ears Jack-O-Lantern Orange.
- 3. Paint pair of Citron Green almondshaped eyes and a Citron Green line from inside corner of each eye down to each side of nose.
- 4. Paint inverted triangle in Citron Green for nose.
- 5. With Warm White, draw fang on either side of cat's mouth.
- 6. Stirring Beadz thoroughly first, spread Purple Liquid Beadz with palette knife over entire Grape Juice painted area (except mask handle) and allow to dry.
- 7. Cover ears with Blazing Orange Beadz.
- 8. For eyes, spread with Kiwi Beadz. Also spread Kiwi Beadz along Citron Green line running from eyes to nose.
- 9. Apply Crystal Pearl Beadz over fangs.
- 10. After mask has completely dried, hot glue large purple rhinestone between each of cat's teeth.
- 11. Cut length of purple feather boa long enough to line bottom half of mask and hot glue boa's edge to back of mask.

Tip: Allow each Americana Acrylic and Liquid Beadz color to dry as you go. You may want to speed up the drying time with a hairdryer.



Gold Devil Mask

Embellish a wooden mask with gold accents to create a dazzling mask for a Halloween costume or other occasion. This Halloween mask is an intermediate craft project.



Materials:

- Spooky Hollow Wooden Mask (purchased from Jo-Anns)
- Gold Paper (Etal Real Metal Papers by Riverwinds)
- Gold Star & Swirl Papers (Die Cuts with a View)
- Kreinik 1/8" Ribbon in 002V Vintage Gold
- Kreinik Tapestry #12 Braid in 5001 Brass Key
- 1/4" Treasure Trim
- Diamond Beadlets
- Glue stick, x-acto knife, pencil, scissors

- Trace your mask onto the back of your papers, one half of the mask on each paper. Cut them out, trimming any excess. (You can also hold the mask in place and cut out your shapes with an x-acto knife, to get a closer fit.) Make a decorative edge on the overlapping paper (use your favorite paper-edgers or just cut in a wavy or scalloped line). Glue both pieces to your mask. Allow glue to dry.
- 2. Using your 1/4" tape, wrap around the edge of the mask, so that the tape is level with the bottom and overhangs on the top of the mask. Make small cuts in the tape along curves in the edges of the mask. Fold the overhang down onto the mask. Next, apply tape at an angle along your mask's handle.
- 3. Peel back the red liner along a portion of your tape. Begin edging the mask with your gold ribbon. Continue around the entire mask. Next, apply the ribbon along the other edge of the tape, all the way around. Finish by adding a stripe of color 5001 braid between the two lines of ribbon. To embellish your handle, remove the red liner and wrap your tape with threads.
- 4. When finished embellishing, place your mask in a shallow tray or ziplock bag and pour Diamond Beadlets over the exposed tape. Swirl with your fingers to cover fully and tap to remove excess beadlets.



Halloween Ghosts

Bouncing Ghost

By: STYROFOAM Brand Foam

This ghost is a great fun and easy Halloween craft project. All you need are a few supplies and enthusiastic kids for a ghoulishly good time.



Materials:

- STYROFOAM Brand Foam:
 - o Cone, 4"
- Black acrylic paint
- White craft foam, one sheet
- Glow-in-the-dark wiggle eyes, 3/8", two
- White elastic cord, 18" length
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Liner or small round paintbrush
- Disposable palette
- Water basin
- Paper towels
- Scissors
- Extra-long straight pins
- Thick, white craft glue

For pattern, click here.

Instructions:

- Cut pattern from craft foam as indicated. Glue straight arm edges to foam cone at right angle. Hold arms in place with pins until glue dries.
- 2. Using photo as guide, paint black mouth. (Note: Young children may find it easier to use handle end of brush to "dot on" mouth.) Glue eyes to cone; let dry.
- 3. Knot one end of elastic cord. Use pencil point to poke small hole in tip of cone. Glue knot into hole; let dry. Hang ghost from trees, doorways, curtain rods and more.

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Ghostly Halloween Luminaries

By: Susie Coelho for Krylon

Looking for an alternative to carving pumpkins this Halloween. Try to make these Halloween luminaries instead! Using paints and craft pens these ghostly luminaries can come to life.



Materials:

- Krylon Frosted Glass Finish White (#9040)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Bright White (#53517)
- Krylon Glowz® Glow-in-the-Dark (#3150)
- Krylon Short Cuts® Hobby/Craft Paint Pens - Black (#SCP914)
- Round glass votives
- Newspaper

- Set up a spray area by covering a table or other work surface with newspaper. It helps to place an extra smaller piece of newspaper under each individual votive that you can use to rotate the individual votive while you spray. This is particularly useful if you are unable to move around your work surface freely.
- 2. Begin spraying several light coats of Frosted Glass Finish on the lip of each votive. This area is the opening of the votive that will be resting on the newspaper. It is not necessary to saturate the lip as the idea is to create a "disappearing" gradation of white to add to the ghostly illusion. Let dry completely.
- 3. Spray several light coats of Bright White on the bottoms of the votives until coverage is solid while concentrating on blending the white seamlessly with the frosted glass. Let dry completely.
- Spray entire exterior of all the vases with Glowz so that when your votives are not lit, they will still glow-in-thedark, welcoming dusk. Let dry completely.
- 5. Finally, freehand facial features (eyes and mouths) with a Black Paint Pen to give each ghost a personality!



Glow in the Dark Ghost Vest

By: Dena Lenham for Kreinik

Use glow-in-the-dark iron on thread to add ghost(s) to a black Halloween vest. This simple project makes for a quick and easy Halloween outfit.



Materials:

- purchased black vest (look for one at your local Goodwill, costume, or consignment shop)
- Mrs. K's Iron-on Ribbon in 6700 Cantaloupe, 6710 Coconut, 6720 Honeydew (they all glow in the dark)
- Mrs. K's Fine #8 Braid in 6700 Cantaloupe, 6710 Coconut, 6720 Honeydew
- Mini iron or household iron
- Teflon Press Cloth
- fabric marking pen or pencil (one that washes off or disappears)
- ghost template- use a ghost pattern from a coloring book, a child's drawing, or your own pattern. Photocopy it in a variety of sizes.

- 1. Turn your iron onto the highest heat setting and let it heat thoroughly.
- 2. Cut out your ghost pattern templates and lay in desired pattern on your vest. Trace each pattern with your fabric marking pen.
- 3. Outline each ghost pattern on your vest with Iron-on Ribbon: Place your ribbon at a starting point, cover with the Teflon Press Cloth, and press with your hot iron for several seconds until the thread adheres. Continue, working in sections.
- 4. Make the eyes and mouth with Fine Iron-on Braid, always covering with the Teflon before ironing to keep the adhesive in the thread from sticking to your iron.
- 5. Write "Boo" freehand with your fabric marker. Trace over this word with Fine Iron-on Braid.
- 6. For maximum wearability, tack down the iron-on thread with tiny stitches using a clear monofilament thread.

Halloween Ghost Gift Box

Paint three small gift boxes in candy-corn colors, tie with ribbon and top off with spooky ghosts. Use as a gift box or just as a table decoration for a Halloween party. For easier goodie bags stamped with Halloween shapes, see the Halloween Gift Bags craft.



Instructions:

Die-cut three boxes in different colors. Stack and tie with ribbon. Print greeting on computer, then die-cut Tag. Die-cut shapes out of plain paper, embellish with glitter and glue to the top of the Box.

Materials:

- 654884 Sizzix Clearlits Die Tag, Round
- 655006 Sizzix Originals Die Ghosts #2
- Plain Paper
- Ribbon
- Glitter
- 3 gift boxes in the same size



Masked Ghost Decoration

By: Kathleen George for STYROFOAM Brand Foam

Trick-or-treat: What is that masked ghost carrying his own trick-or-treat-bag? Make this adorable <u>Halloween</u> decoration in a few easy steps!



Materials:

- STYROFOAM Brand Products:
 - o 1 Cone, 6"
 - o 1 Ball, 2"
- Melon baller or sharp spoon
- 1 1/4" Wooden dowel, 6" long
- 1/2 yd. of white cotton fabric
- Fabric stiffener
- Straight pins
- Gesso
- Black felt, scrap
- 12 " Orange curling ribbon
- 2 Tiny blue beads
- Acrylic paint: pink, red
- Brown craft paper or paper bag
- Black marker
- Mini Halloween sticker (optional)
- Thick, white craft glue

Download pattern

Instructions:

- Using melon baller or sharp spoon, hollow out 1" hole in foam ball. Twist ball onto top of cone until it fits snugly. Glue in place.
- 2. Cut dowel into two 3" lengths for arms. Push dowels into cone right below the ball; glue in place.
- 3. Cut fabric into 16" circle. Soak fabric in full-strength fabric stiffener. Drape over ghost body. To shape neck, pin fabric to neck while drying. Let dry thoroughly; remove pins.
- 4. Paint ghost with thick coat of gesso. Let dry.
- 5. Cut out tiny mask from black felt. Cut 6" length of curling ribbon in half lengthwise; glue to mask. Glue mask to face and tie ribbons in back of head. Glue on blue beads for eyes. Paint on cheeks and smiling mouth.
- 6. Construct a 3" x 5" paper bag using pattern given. Glue on handles made from orange curling ribbon. Write "Trick or Treat" on bag; add mini sticker, if desired. Glue handle on ghost's arm.

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Halloween Wreaths

Brown Bag Halloween Wreath

By: Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home

Recycle a brown bag to create the shapes for this fun Halloween wreath designed by <u>Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home</u>. A bit of paint, raffia and a straw wreath make this a quick, easy and inexpensive Halloween craft. For another Halloween wreath idea, check out the Halloween Crochet Wreath.



Materials:

- Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue™
- Brown grocery bags
- 3" square cardboard (or plastic) squeegee
- Acrylic paint black, orange, white, yellow, green
- Paintbrushes ½" flat, ¼" flat, fine-tip
- Natural raffia
- Scissors
- 12" diameter straw wreath
- <u>Halloween Patterns</u>

Instructions:

For each shape, cut 2 pieces of brown bag, ½" larger all around than pattern. With edges aligned, glue bag layers together, using squeegee to apply glue. Transfer desired pattern to layered bag and cut out. Shape cutout as desired to give dimension. Let dry.

Referring to photo for colors and details, paint each shape, letting dry between colors. To paint dots for eyes, dip wooden end of brush into desired color of paint and dot paint on design.

Cut several 11" lengths of raffia. Handling all lengths as 1, tie into bow. Repeat to make 8 bows. Cut several 60" lengths of raffia. Handling all lengths as 1, tie into bow. Wrap wreath with remaining raffia as desired. Glue large bow at bottom of wreath. Glue 1 bat to streamers of large bow. Cut 1 (10") length of raffia. Glue spider shape to 1 end of raffia length. Tie free end of raffia to wreath at top so that spider hangs inside wreath. Glue remaining painted shapes and small bows to wreath where desired. Let dry.

Heidi's Designer Tip: I love working with brown bag to create all sorts of shapes for my crafting projects. It's plentiful and inexpensive and a great way to recycle. After you cut out your shapes, as the glue is starting to dry, just gently shape the pieces to give them some dimension. The glue softens the brown bag just enough to make it bendable while still holding the layers together while you give it some shape.



Halloween Crochet Wreath

By: Lily Sugar'n Cream

Crochet a Halloween wreath with witch hats, pumpkins and spooky spiders. A crochet web and a hanging spider are nice touches in this Halloween wreath crochet pattern.



Materials:

Yarn: 1 ball each of A, B and C makes 7
Witches. 1 ball makes 10 Webs. 1 ball
makes 8 Spiders. 1 ball makes 14 Small
Pumpkins or 10 Large Pumpkins.

Lily® Sugar'n Cream Cotton (Solids: 70.9 g / 2.5 oz)
Contrast A (01712 Hot Green) 1 ball
Contrast B (00082 Jute) 1 ball
Contrast C (00002 Black) 1 ball
Contrast D (00001 White) 1 ball
Contrast E (01628 Hot Orange) 1 ball

- Size 4 mm (U.S. G or 6) crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Glue gun and glue sticks

- Grape Vine wreath 13 ins [33 cm] in diameter
- Fabric stiffener
- 6 glue-on eyes
- Stuffing
- Twigs for decoration.

Gauge: 16 sc and 16 rows = 4 ins [10 cm].

Instructions:

WITCH (make 2) Cape: With C, ch 17.

1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each

ch to end of ch. Turn. 16 sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sc. Yoh and draw a loop through all loops on

hook - Sc2tog made.

1 sc in each sc to last 2 sc. Sc2tog. Turn.

3rd to 7th rows: Rep 2nd row. 4 sc at end of 7th

row. Fasten off.

Hat: With C, ch 10. SI st to form ring. **1st rnd**: Ch 1. 1 sc in each ch around. Join with sI st to first st. 10 sc.

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2nd to 8th rnds: Ch 1. Sc2tog. 1 sc in each sc to

end of rnd. Join with sl st to first st.

9th rnd: Ch 1. Draw up a loop in each of next 3 sc. Yoh and draw a loop through all loops on

hook - Sc3tog made. Fasten off.

Brim: Join C with sl st to foundation ch of Hat. **1st rnd**: Ch 1. 2 sc in each ch around. 20 sc. Join with ss to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. (1 sc in next sc. 2 sc in next sc) 10 times. Join with ss to first sc. Fasten off.

Hair: Cut 30, 6 ins [15 cm] lengths of A and tie

securely in the middle.

Broom: Cut 12, 4 ins [10 cm] lengths of B and

tie securely in the middle.

Fold in half and tie tog 1 inch [2.5 cm] down

from fold. Glue to end of twig.

WEB (make 2)

With D, ch 8. Join with sl st to form ring.

1st rnd: Ch 8. (Yoh) 3 times. Insert hook into ring. Yoh and draw up a loop through ring only. (Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) 4 times – Spoke made. Ch 4. (Work Spoke in ring. Ch 4)

6 times. SI st in 4th ch of ch-8.

2nd rnd: Ch 12. (Miss next 4 ch. Work Spoke in top of next Spoke. Ch 8) 7 times. SI st in 4th ch of ch-12.

3rd rnd: Ch 16. (Miss next 8 ch. Work Spoke in top of next Spoke. Ch 12) 7 times. SI st in 4th ch of ch-16. Fasten off.

Finishing: Stiffen Web with fabric stiffener.

SPIDER (make 3) **Body**: With C, ch 3.

1st rnd: 8 hdc in 3rd ch from hook. SI st in first

hdc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each hdc around. Sl st in first sc. 16 sc.

3rd rnd: Ch 1. 1 sc in back loop only of each sc

around. SI st in first sc.

4th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog) 8 times. 8 sts.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Thread yarn through needle and draw tightly through 8 sts. Fasten off.

Legs: Join yarn in front loop of any st in 3rd row with sl st.

*Ch 12.

Miss first ch. SI st in each of next 11 ch.

SI st in same loop as initial join.

SI st in each of next 2 loops of 3rd rnd.

Rep from * 7 times more. Fasten off.

Finishing: Glue 2 eyes on each Spider.

PUMPKINS (make 5 small and 1 large)

Small Pumpkin: With E, ch 4. Join with sl st to form ring.

1st rnd: Ch 1. 8 sc in ring. SI st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. SI st to

first sc. 16 sc.

3rd and 4th rnds: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc around.

SI st to first sc.

5th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 2 sc)

4 times. SI st in first st. 12 sc.

Stuff with small amount of stuffing.

6th rnd : Ch 1. (Sc2tog) 6 times. SI st in first st. 6

SC.

7th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog) 3 times. Fasten off

(bottom of Pumpkin).

Large Pumpkin: With E, ch 4. Join with sl st to

form ring.

1st rnd: Ch 1. 8 sc in ring. SI st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. SI st in first sc. 16 sc.

3rd rnd: Ch 1. (1 sc in next sc. 2 sc in next sc) 8 times. SI st in first sc. 24 sc.

4th and 5th rnds: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc around. SI st in first sc.

6th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog. 1 sc in each of next 2 sc)

6 times. SI st in first st. 18 sc. 7th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog. 1 sc in next sc) 6 times. SI

Stuff with small amount of stuffing.

st in first st. 12 sc.

8th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog) 6 times. SI st in first st. 6

9th rnd: Ch 1. (Sc2tog) 3 times. Fasten off (bottom of Pumpkin).

Stem: (make 1 for each Pumpkin) With B, ch 3. SI st in 2nd ch from hook. SI st in last ch. Fasten off.

FINISHING

With E, sew through center of Pumpkin 5 times, each time bringing yarn around the body at evenly spaced intervals. Draw tightly and fasten securely. Sew Stem in place to foundation ch at top of Pumpkin.

ASSEMBLY

Using photo as a guide, glue stiffened Web to each side of Wreath. Glue one Spider to each Web, making sure each Leg is glued in place to appear as if the Spider is walking.

Glue the Witches on either side of the Wreath, by layering first the Cape, then the Hair and then the Hat. Glue the Broom to the side of the Witch. Glue twigs and Pumpkins as shown in picture. Glue a small length of white yarn to 3rd Spider and hang from top center of Wreath.



Happy Halloween Ribbon Wreath

By: Kathleen George for Styrofoam Brand Foam

Do it yourself Halloween crafts in only five easy steps. Hang a ribbon wreath on your door to add some color and holiday spirit. Bring it out every year for some great Halloween cheer.



Materials:

- STYROFOAM™ Brand Foam:
 - Wreath, Round Face, 12" x 2-1/2" x 1"
- Black ultra-fine glitter
- Black; orange pony beads, one package each
- Foam-safe black spray paint
- Ribbon, 1-1/4" wide: black grosgrain, 1 yd.; sheer orange, gold, black wireedged, 5 yds. each
- Wire or thin black ribbon, 6" length
- Scissors
- Wooden skewer
- Ruler
- Low-temp glue gun and glue sticks
- Thick, white craft glue
- Optional: Large cardboard box

Instructions:

- If desired, place foam wreath inside large cardboard box outdoors or in well-ventilated area. Spray paint wreath black; sprinkle with glitter while wet. Let dry completely.
- 2. Tie grosgrain ribbon into a bow with tails; set aside. Cut approximately twenty 4" lengths from each sheer ribbon color; cut more as needed to fill out wreath shape.
- 3. Apply dot of glue to opening of a black pony bead; immediately insert one end of a sheer black ribbon length through hole until tight. Let dry; trim excess ribbon above bead. Repeat to bead all black and gold ribbons black; bead all orange ribbons orange. Let dry.
- 4. Refer to photo to join beaded ribbon lengths to wreath. Beginning just inside wreath opening, dot wreath with glue and use wooden skewer to push free end of one ribbon length into foam. Continue adding ribbons in concentric circles around wreath, cutting and beading more ribbons as needed. Offset ribbons slightly from circle to circle.
- 5. Use fingers to bend ribbon lengths toward outside edge of wreath as shown. Twist wire ends, or knot thin ribbon ends, together to create hanging loop. Glue ends into center top back of wreath.

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Haunted Wreath

By: ilovetocreate.com

Spook the neighbors with this haunted wreath door hanging! Make an ordinary wicker wreath into something really worth screaming about!



Materials:

- Liquid Fusion™ Clear Urethane Glue
- Aleene's[®] Stiffen-Quik Fabric Stiffening Spray
- Wicker wreath
- Halloween spider webbing
- Wooden Halloween characters
- Halloween ribbon
- Newspaper
- Cheesecloth
- Plastic spider
- Black spray paint

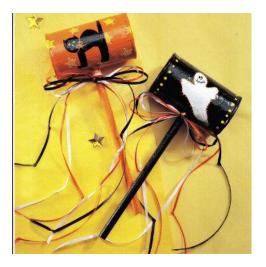
- 1. Lay newspaper outside on the ground in a well-ventilated area. Make sure to cover enough area to protect from overspray. Place wreath on top of newspaper and spray with black spray paint until wreath is fully black. Let dry.
- Position characters onto wreath according to liking. Use Aleene's[®] Liquid Fusion™ to glue characters into place. Let dry.
- Create a large bow using multiple Halloween-themed ribbons. Use Liquid Fusion™ to adhere bow to wreath. Let dry.
- 4. Cut random pieces of cheesecloth and stretch out. Spray cheesecloth pieces with fabric stiffener until cloth is fully saturated. Let set. Spray a second coat and let dry until cloth is stiff.
- 5. Using Liquid Fusion™, adhere cheesecloth to sections of wreath.
- 6. Add Halloween spider webs randomly around wreath.



Halloween Crafts for Kids

Halloween Noise Makers

Turn concentrated juice cans into noise makers for the little ghouls this Halloween. These noise makers designed by <u>Heidi Borchers of Inspired</u> <u>at Home</u> are a great craft to do with kids before Halloween.



Materials:

- Aleene's® Super Thick Tacky Glue™
- 2 clean 6-oz. juice cans with lids
- Drill with 3/8" bit
- 10" length 3/8" diameter dowel
- Assorted nuts and bolts
- Newspaper
- Paintbrushes ¼" flat, fine-tip
- Acrylic paints: orange, black, yellow, green, white
- 1 yard each 1/8" wide satin ribbon: white, orange, black
- Patterns

For cat noisemaker:

- small star rubber stamp (or see designer tip below to make your own)
- Waxed paper
- Cosmetic sponge

Instructions:

For each, center and drill hole for dowel through 1 side of can. Dip 1 end of dowel into glue and push into hole until end of dowel touches opposite side of can. Apply additional glue to dowel on outside of can. Let dry.

Put handful of assorted nuts and bolts inside can. Glue lid onto can. Cut or tear newspaper into 1" squares. Glue newspaper pieces to cover entire can, overlapping pieces slightly. Let dry. Using photo as guide, paint entire can and dowel desired base color.

For cat noisemaker: transfer pattern to can and paint 1 cat on each side of can. Let dry. Pour small puddle of yellow paint onto waxed paper. Dip sponge into paint, dabbing excess off onto waxed paper. Dab sponge onto star stamp and press onto can. Repeat to stamp stars on can where desired. Let dry. Use toothpick to outline each star with dots of white paint. Let dry.

For ghost noisemaker: transfer patterns to can and paint 1 ghost on each side of can and 1 jack-o-lantern on each end of can. Let dry. Use toothpick to outline each ghost with dots of orange paint. Let dry. Use end of paintbrush to paint dots around each end of can with yellow. Let dry.

For each, handling all ribbon lengths as 1, tie ribbons in bow around dowel just below can. Tie knots in streamers.

Heidi's Designer Tip: Whenever I can't find a simple rubber stamp design that I like, I simply make one from a scrap of craft foam cut into the shape I desire and glue it onto a pencil eraser. If you are making a larger stamp design, just cut from craft foam and glue onto a piece of foamboard. This makes a quick and easy custom stamp that you can use over and over.



Halloween Cheesecloth Bat

Use fabric stiffener to create this spooky bat that makes the perfect Halloween decoration. The wiggly eyes make this a fun craft for the kids to help out with.



Materials:

- Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue®
- Tulip® Soft Fabric Paint™
 - o BI15801 Ebony
- Aleene's® Stiffen-Quik Fabric Stiffening Spray
- Wiggle eyes, two ½" red
- Scissors
- Plastic clothes hanger
- Plastic wrap
- Plastic trash bag
- Plastic fork
- 2 yards cheesecloth
- Disposable plastic gloves
- Masking tape
- Liter bottle plus two smaller plastic bottles
- Felt scraps: green, black, purple
- Balloon
- Plastic tub
- Aluminum foil

- 1. To weight bottles, fill with water and cap tightly. Place on trash bag.
- 2. Tape hanger across back and toward top of liter bottle with hook above lid.
- 3. Blow up balloon about the size of a baseball then tape to hook of hanger. Adjust the smaller bottles off to sides. For each hand, crumple up a piece of foil, press around the top of the smaller bottles and form into cone shape.
- 4. Fold cheesecloth in half lengthwise.
- 5. Carefully drape cheesecloth over bottles making sure a corner of cheesecloth is to the front, referring to photo. Pull out cheesecloth then fold and crease to desired shape. To form neck, loosely tie plastic wrap at bottom of balloon.
- 6. Wearing gloves, spray Stiffen-Quik on cheesecloth until it is well saturated. Form cheesecloth into desired shape. Let dry 24 hours. Carefully remove from bottles.
- 7. Cut out felt shapes using photo as a guide. Glue felt and wiggle eyes on cheesecloth.



Halloween Pencil or Sucker Tops

By: Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home

Use craft foam to create a witch, ghost or pumpkin topper for pencils or suckers this Halloween. Kids can help you create these fun tops designed by <u>Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home</u> to hand out to trick-ortreaters.



Materials

- For each: Aleene's® Super Thick Tacky Glue™
- Toothpick
- Black embroidery floss
- Needle
- Scissors
- Ruler
- For witch: Craft foam: black, orange, white, green, pink
- 6 (3") lengths black yarn
- Black pom poms 1 (3/8" diameter), 1 (1/2") diameter
- Dimensional paint: white, black
- For ghost: Craft foam: white
- Black pom poms 1 (1/4" diameter), 2 (3/8") diameter, 1 (1/2") diameter
- Dimensional paint: white, black

- For pumpkin: Craft foam: orange, green, black
- Dimensional paint: yellow, green, orange, white, black
- Patterns

Instructions:

For witch, transfer patterns to craft foam and cut 1 hat, 1 brim, and 2 pupils from black, 1 hatband from orange, 2 witch eyes from white and 1 witch nose from green. Cut 2 (1-7/8" diameter) circles from pink for face. Cut slit in brim where indicated. Squeeze line of glue around edge on 1 side of 1 pink circle, leaving 1" unglued to insert pencil. Press remaining circle into glue. Referring to photo, with unglued area at bottom, glue eyes, pupils and nose in place on face. Slip bottom of hat through slit in brim and glue to secure. Glue hatband on hat. Glue yarn hair and hat in place on head. Let dry. Glue pom poms together to form spider. Let dry.

To complete spider, thread needle with embrodiery floss. Take 3 stitches through larger pom pom, leaving 1" long loops on each side of body. Clip loops and trim thread to form 4 legs on each side of spider. Dot white paint on smaller pom pom for eyes. Let dry. Use toothpick to dot 1 pupil on each eye with black. Let dry.

For witch, paint mouth on witch with black. Glue spider to witch's hat. Let dry.

For ghost, transfer pattern to white craft foam and cut 2 ghosts. Squeeze line of glue around edge on 1 side of 1 ghost, leaving 1" at bottom unglued to insert pencil. Press remaining ghost into glue. Glue ½" pom pom to 1 (3/8") pom pom to form 1 spider. Glue remaining pom poms together to form second spider. Let dry. Complete each spider as described above. Paint facial



features on ghost with black. Glue spiders to ghost (see photo). Let dry.

For pumpkin, transfer patterns to craft foam and cut 2 pumpkins from orange, 1 stem from green, and 2 eyes, 1 nose and 1 mouth from black. Squeeze line of glue around edge on 1 side of 1 pumpkin, leaving 3/4" at bottom unglued to insert pencil. Press remaining pumpkin into glue. Glue stem, eyes, nose, and mouth in place on pumpkin. Let dry. Paint lines on stem with green. Paint lines on pumpkin with orange. Dot yellow paint on each eye for pupils.Let dry. Glue pom poms together to form spider. Let dry. Complete spider as before. Glue spider to pumpkin. Let dry.

Bat Sucker Punch

By: Melony Bradley for Uchida of America, Corp.

Not only will the kids love helping to create and design this easy Halloween craft project, they will love the bat's special surprise - a sucker! A great Halloween project to do with kids!



Materials:

- Marvy® Clever Lever Mega Craft Punch-Scalloped Circle
- Marvy® Clever Lever Super Jumbo Craft Punch- Scalloped Heart
- Marvy® Clever Lever Craft Punch- circle, country heart
- Marvy® Long Reach Punch- 1/16"
- Marvy® Deco Just Glitter- Multi Colored
- Marvy® Puffy Velvet Markers- Black
- Cardstock- Black
- Two Silver brads
- Approx 6" of orange and yellow grosgrain ribbon
- Marvy® Paper Trimming Buddy
- Marvy® Heat Tool
- Marvy® Squishy Scissors
- Therm O Web "Zots" Glue Dots
- Beacon Adhesives Zip Dry Paper Glue

Instructions:

All measurements are in inches.

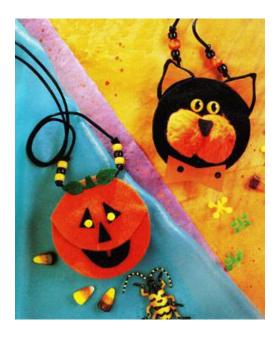
- Punch two circles from the black cardstock. Punch two hearts from the black cardstock. Punch two small hearts from both the black and white cardstock. Punch two small circles from the white cardstock. With the scissors, cut a small strip for the mouth.
- Use the Multi colored glitter marker to line edges of scalloped circles and hearts. With the puffy marker, draw pupils for eyes in the white circles and color the insides of the two country hearts for ears. Draw dots on the scalloped hearts for wings.
- Follow manufacturer's instructions to heat puffy details. Adhere the face details as shown with the paper adhesive. Punch two holes at sides of both circles and heart. Insert brad at both sides to join wings and create sucker cover.
- 4. Tie ribbon in a bow and adhere on bat with glue dot. Place the sucker inside.



Halloween Candy Pouches

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Create a pumpkin or black cat pouch with scraps of felt to hold a small amount of Halloween candy. Kids can wear as a necklace on Halloween and give out to friends as a party favor. The kids can help create these felt pouches designed by <u>Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home</u>.



Materials:

- For each: Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue®
- Black satin (rattail) cording (40")
- Assorted beads
- For cat: Black felt scraps
- Fabric scraps: orange, orange-and-black dot
- 2 (1/2" diameter) cat eves
- 2 (1-3/4" diameter) orange pom poms
- For pumpkin: Felt scraps: orange, black, green, yellow
- ¼" diameter hole punch
- Patterns

Instructions:

For cat, transfer patterns and cut 1 nose, 1 face, 1 cat back, and 1 cat front from black felt; 2 inner ears from orange fabric; and 1 bow from orange/black dot fabric.

For pumpkin, transfer patterns to felt and cut 1 face, 1 pumpkin back, and 1 pumpkin front from orange; 3 triangles and 1 mouth from black; and 2 leaves and 1 stem from green. Punch 2 circles from yellow for pupils.

For each, squeeze line of glue along bottom edge of back piece where indicated on pattern. With bottom edges aligned, glue front to back. Squeeze line of glue along edge of face piece where indicated on pattern. With top edges aligned, glue face to back (see photo).Let dry.

For cat, referring to photo, glue inner ears, bow, cat eyes, pom poms and felt nose in place on pouch. Let dry.

For pumpkin, referring to photo, glue felt pieces in place on pouch. Let dry.

For each, fold cording in half and glue 1" of center of cording to top back of pouch. Let dry. Thread beads on cording as desired, knotting cording to secure beads. Knot ends of cording.

Heidi's Designer Tip: This is an easy project that the kids will enjoy making with you. Depending on the age, have them help to cut out the shapes and the little ones will enjoy squeezing out the lines of glue and tucking in the treats!



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