

Metallic Fan Instructions

Materials

Aluminum foil

School glue

Food coloring

Cardboard

Large popsicle sticks or large nail file

Paint brush or small foam brush

Disposable mixing cups

Old newspapers, plastic wrap, or parchment paper (for easier cleanup)

1. Find a large surface to work on and cover it with old magazines or newspapers before you start working. Since you will be using glue and food coloring you want to be sure you can quickly and easily dispose of any messes from your work area.
2. Grab the following materials: aluminum foil, school glue, food coloring, paint brush or foam brush, and disposable mixing cups.
3. Think about what colors you would like to make and how many. You will need one cup for each color you want to create. Set aside a few cups to start with and fill them with about a tablespoon of glue.
4. Add about 5-10 drops of food coloring to your glue to create the color you want. The brighter the better!
5. Grab your foil and tear off a few sheets.
6. Using your new glue paint, grab your brush and paint on the colored glue mixture directly onto your foil. You can create patterns and try different painting methods with your brush.
7. Once you've finished painting your foil allow it to dry for at least 30 minutes or more if your glue paint is very thick. Once it is dry you should be able to lightly touch it without it smearing.
8. Grab your cardboard and popsicle sticks or nail files.
9. Cut cardboard into two shovel-like shape we see in John Scott's work. Just go for it, you don't need to measure anything here. Once you have cut one use it as a template to cut the other.
10. Now that your colored foil is dry and ready to be handled cut it to be a little bigger than your piece of cardboard and adhere it to the cardboard using glue. Do this to the other cardboard piece.
11. You now just need to glue both cardboard pieces together. Get your popsicle stick or nail file and sandwich it in between the two cardboard pieces using glue. (Note: hot glue may be quicker and easier if you have it for this step)
12. You're done! Take your fan outside and look at it glisten in the sun. Be careful when you fan yourself you may shine too bright!