PAPER TUBE FLOWER STAMPS

Transform a paper tube into a springtime flower stamp to create a colorful garden painting.

IDEAL AGE: 3+

LEARN TOGETHER

3-dimensional art making helps children learn to problem-solve and reason as they practice hand-eye coordination while cutting, pasting and experimenting!

Watch the video: https://youtu.be/4olTvnkYWwM

MAKE TOGETHER

1. With a pair of scissors cut small slits (about an inch) around one end of your toilet paper tube. Try to make at least 4 slits.

2. Pull back each slit to lie flat and watch your flower bloom! These will be the petals of your flower stamp.

3. Hold the tube end in your hand like a handle and add paint to the top of your petals with a paintbrush. You can also dip your petals into some paint in a plate or bowl. What color will you choose first?

4. Take a piece of paper and stamp away! This should make a flower design with the paint!

5. Make as many flower stamps as you like, cutting bigger or smaller slits to create different flower shapes.

6. Stamp different flower shapes with different colors on your paper to create a garden painting!

7. When you’re done, let your stamps dry. You can use them again later or build a colorful sculpture garden in your living room with paper tube flowers!

MATERIALS

• Toilet or paper towel paper tubes
• Scissors
• Paint
• Plates or bowls
• Paper
• Paintbrush (optional)

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