

Make It Fun with Floracraft and The DIY Dish!



On Episode 3 of Season 2, Kim and Kris take the same styrofoam cone and share their own version of a Halloween witch hat centerpiece! Material lists and ideas/tips are found below for each project!



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As seen on Season 2, Episode #3:
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Tips for Making the Vintage, Mixed-Media Style Hat

by Kris of theDIYdish.com



Before adding Mod Podge or any paint to styrofoam, it is important to prep the surface first. I painted gesso on my cone and allowed it to dry.



Mix paper mache' paste with hands. Add enough white glue to form a smooth consistency.

TIP: Do not dip the newspaper strips into the paste itself. Rather, dip your fingers into the paste and THEN cover the strips with a small amount of paste.

Paper Mache' Recipe:

- 1 part water
- 1 part flour
- salt
- white glue
- torn newspaper strips

Because I wanted to add a "curly top" to the styrofoam cone, I was able to do this by wrapping a wire clothes hanger with crumpled up newspaper and masking tape.

I carefully stuck the bottom of the wire hanger into the top of the cone. Then I bent the top of the wire around in the shape of a curl.





Once my top was in, I continued to paper mache the remainder of the hat. I recommend at least 3 layers of paper mache, making sure to allow each layer to dry before starting the next.

Don't be afraid to try new techniques and add-ons with your paper mache! Pictured to the right, I show you that I actually cut burlap strips and adhered them to the cone using the same method as I did with newspaper.

I love the changes of texture on the hat!



Paint and embellish away! I picked up several items in the scrapbooking section of my local craft store. I also used items I already had on hand, including tulle, ribbons, flowers, paper, vintage keys and more.

Tips for Making the Glittery, Funky Style Hat

by Kim of theDIYdish.com



Tip: When adding glitter to the styrofoam, I used a foam brush to paint the concentrated, white glue onto the surface.

Rather than dipping the styrofoam object into the glitter, simply add it by pouring one spoon at a time onto the surface and gently shaking it off.

Shake excess off into a sheet of paper so that you may bend the paper to create a "funnel" to pour the remainder of glitter into the original jar.

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