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Letter from the Editors

Hi Holiday Crafters,

Halloween is my favorite time of year because you can get really creative with your home decorations! Most of the year it's just wreaths and centerpieces, but on Halloween you can go all out making decorations for your lawn, porch, table, fireplace mantle, bookshelf, etc. On Halloween it's okay to decorate every nook and cranny of your house with festive crafts!

Whether you're into all things spooky or prefer decorations that are more cute and sweet, we've found something for everyone and included it in this collection of 11 Easy Halloween Crafts! We hope you enjoy these projects and use them to deck out your home with Halloween flair!

Happy Crafting,

The Editor of All Free Holiday Crafts

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Halloween Paper Centerpiece

By: Kristyn for Lil' Luna

This creative centerpiece will take your party to the next level. Guests won't be able to stop admiring the festive design and the fun accent pieces on this cute Halloween table decoration!



Materials:

- Box/Vase/Cart to use as Centerpiece
 Base
- Floral Foam
- Spanish Moss
- Skewers
- Paint
- Foam Brush
- Scrapbook Paper
- Hot Glue
- Embellishments
- Stripe of vinyl (optional)

Instructions:

1) From your scrapbook paper, cut two 12 inch strips that are 1 inch - 2.5 inches wide (per accordion flower).



2) Put two strips together and fold back and forth until you are all the way through. Then, hot glue the two ends together as well as the other ends so it makes a circle.



3) Push edges of strips IN to make an accordion flower. Hot glue center and hold, and do the same on back.



4) Paint skewers the desired color you'd like and let dry. Stick into the floral foam to dry.



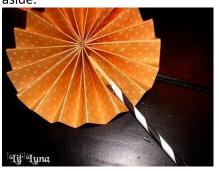
5) Cut out .2 inch white strips of vinyl and twist them along the skewer (optional).



6) Add buttons or other embellishments to your flowers.



7) Hot glue skewers to backs of flowers. Set aside.



8) Add floral foam and moss to your centerpiece base.

9) Stick skewers through the moss and foam into your base and arrange as desired.



No-Sew Spooky Halloween Bunting

By: Julia for **Everyday Mom Ideas**

This lovely bunting is the perfect Halloween decoration if you don't have a ton of time or money but still want to add something festive to your home for the holiday. You probably already have many of the necessary supplies for this project, and all you need is an hour or two to finish the whole thing!



Materials:

- Hot glue gun
- 1 sheet of card stock paper
- 2 white pop bottle caps
- Permanent marker
- 1/4th yard of orange fabric
- 1/4 yard of black fabric
- 1/4 yard of burlap fabric

Instructions:

- 1) Cut the sides off the card stock to create a long triangle.
- 2) Use the card-stock triangle as a template to cut 8 triangles out of the orange fabric.



- 3) Draw on the letters for SPOOKY with a permanent marker on the burlap fabric.
- 4) Cut out the letters, but do not cut directly on the outline. Leave a little bit of room.



- 5) Cut two 4 inch by 4 inch squares out of the burlap.
- 6) Fold the burlap square accordion-like back and forth. Pinch the middle and hot glue the folds in the middle so that it will hold the bowlike shape.



7) Use a permanent maker to draw spiders and/or ghosts on each of the white bottle caps.



8) Lay out all your pieces the way you want and then glue your words and embellishment bows to the orange flags.



- 9) To make the fabric rope for the top of the banner, cut strips out of the black fabric.
- 10) Tie the strips together so it's long enough to put all the flags on and add two feet.
- 11) After you have it the length that you need, go ahead and tie knots every inch or so.



12) Hot glue the fabric rope you just made to the front top of the flags to secure it.



Halloween Crochet Wreath

By: Lily Sugar'n Cream

All of our favorite Halloween elements are featured in this adorable crochet door wreath! From little witch hats to plump pumpkins to spooky spiders, there's a touch of everything we love about Halloween in this wreath!



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)
 - o Contrast A (01712 Hot Green) 1 ball
 - Contrast B (00082 Jute) 1 ball
 - o Contrast C (00002 Black) 1 ball
 - o 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 sl st to first st. 10 sc.

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. Sl 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. SI 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. Sl st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. Sl 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. Sl 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. Sl st to first sc. **2nd rnd**: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. Sl 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. Sl

st in first st. 12 sc.

Stuff with small amount of stuffing.

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

sc.

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.

Wooden Candy Corn Decor

By: Jessica for Chapman Place

We love the rustic look of this cute Wooden Candy Corn Decor. These candy corn crafts look so polished, they'd be a great decoration to keep around all Autumn long!



Materials:

- 1x10x16 piece of wood
- Bead-board
- Saw
- Paint (yellow, orange, white)
- Small nails
- Walnut stain
- Sandpaper

Instructions:

- 1) Cut triangles out of the wood board and the bead-board.
- 2) Sand the edges and corners of the board and bead-board, until they become rounded.



3) Paint the triangles to look like candy corn, making sure that the lines on the wood board and on the bead-board match up.



4) Distress. This involves sanding various spots on the wood and bead-board. If you get it down to the wood, when you go over everything with the stain it will make those spots darker and aged. The edges are the easiest to sand, but try to sand in the middle as well.



5) Wipe walnut stain all over the board and bead-board. Let sit for a minute so it can soak in. After the minute, use a paper towel and wipe off any excess.



6) Place the bead-board on top of the wood. Line the paint lines up and nail in place. You could use glue if you wish.



7) Decorate with different fall items (leaves, berries, twine, etc.).



Owl Pumpkin

By: DecoArt.com

Get on board with the owl trend by making this clever and cute Halloween decoration! Your house will definitely stand out when you display this owl pumpkin in your window or on the porch. Who knew you could transform a pumpkin into something so adorable using paint, wood and foam?



Materials:

- Americana Acrylics:
 - DAO3 Buttermilk
 - DAO67 Lamp (Ebony) Black
 - DAO93 Raw Sienna
 - DA264 Mustard Seed
 - Americana Writers:
 - DAW67 Black
- Americana Spray Sealers:
 - DAS12 Americana Gloss Spray
- Americana Brushes:
 - DBF2575-B Flat 3/4"
 - DBF3008-B Shader 8
- Unfinished wood pieces: two XXL ovals, Forster Woodsies; two 1 1/4" flower pots; two 1 1/2" circles and two 1" split balls; one 7/8" x 1.26" split egg; two 1 3/4" hearts; two 3" x 4/5" ovals, Laras Crafts L20067; oval and teardrop shapes in 3/4" to 1 3/4" wide range

- Foam plate
- Lo-temp glue gun and glue sticks
- Craft knife
- Two foam pumpkins: 3 1/2" x 5"; 6 1/4"
 x 8"

- 1) Preparation: Remove all stickers or labels from surfaces.
- 2) Remove stems from two pumpkins and glue smaller pumpkin on top of large pumpkin.
- 3) Glue largest feather ovals and teardrop pieces over bottom edge of each 3" x 4/5" oval; gradually go around wing, overlapping feather pieces off sides. Beginning at bottom area of wing, layer smaller pieces over foundation until wing is completely covered in feathers.
- 4) For ears, refer to photo for placement and glue rim of pots on owl head.
- 5) Use flat brush and Raw Sienna to paint pumpkins, ears, and wings, working paint into crevices of feathers.
- 6) Refer to photo for placement, paint Buttermilk oval on chest with flat brush. Paint two XXL oval pieces Buttermilk for brows. Let dry.
- 7) Use shader brush and Mustard Seed to paint split egg for beak, two 1 1/2" circles for eyes, and two 1 3/4" hearts for feet; let dry.
- 8) Use shader brush and Lamp Black to paint 1" split balls for eye centers; let dry. When dry, glue Lamp Black eye centers over Mustard Seed circles.
- 9) Refer to photo for placement and glue feet, ears, brows, beak, and eyes to owl.
- 10) Referring to photo for placement, glue wing to each side of owl.



- 11) Refer to photo and use Black Americana Writer to paint scalloped lines for feather details on chest, curved lines for bags under eyes, nostrils on beak, and bushy hair on brows.
- 12) Spray owl with Americana Gloss Sealer; let dry.
- 13) Glue fringe to top of head, covering hole where stem was.

Helpful Hint: For first coat on wings, thin paint with water slightly to seep into crevices.

Monster Decorations from Juice Boxes

By: Amanda for Crafts By Amanda

Gather some recycled juice boxes and some felt and let your kids get creative making these silly monster decorations! They'll have a blast making their own designs and displaying them in the window for everyone to see!



Materials:

- Juice boxes
- Rice (or anything to give monsters some weight)
- Zipper sandwich bags
- Tape
- Felt
- Scissors
- Hot glue or felt glue

Instructions:

- 1) Cut open the top of the juice box.
- 2) Put some rice (about ½ cup) into a sandwich baggie, squeeze out the air and seal it.



- 3) Put the rice bag inside the juice box and reseal the top with tape.
- 4) Line the bottom of the juice box up with the bottom of the felt. Glue the felt around the juice box, leaving the bottom open so that it can stand well.



5) Optional: For the monster with the big tube on his head, you'll want to wrap something around the top (chenille works well) and trim the ends.



6) Optional: If you want to give your monster hair, fringe some felt before gluing it around the box. You'll need to add a rectangle of felt to the top of the box since the hair won't cover the top.



- 7) Begin adding facial features to your monsters.
- 8) Cut out some teeth, fangs, polka dots, stripes, whatever strikes your fancy and glue them to the boxes.





Milk Jug Ghosts

By: Erin for Making Memories With Your Kids

These adorable Milk Jug Ghosts cost next to nothing to make and they're a scream to put together! Display these cute spookies on your porch to welcome guests and trick-or-treaters to your home!



Materials:

- Milk jugs (use as many as you'd like)
- Permanent marker
- Scissors
- LED tea light candles or Christmas lights
- Duct tape

- 1) Clean out the milk jugs.
- 2) Use a permanent marker and draw a face on each milk jug.
- 3) Carefully cut a piece out of the back of the jug so you can put lights inside it.
- 4) Place the lights in the back of the jugs and line them up.
- 5) Use a strip of duct tape to attach the jugs together and weigh them down.

Jack O Lantern Luminaries

By: Barbara Swanson for Krylon

Light up the night with these cute pumpkin luminaries. Make a bunch of these festive jack o' lanterns and you'll have a glowing pumpkin patch to welcome guests to your home!



Materials:

- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Primer Gray (#51318)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Black (#51601)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Pumpkin Orange (#52411)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Tuscan Sunset (#53535)
- Krylon Fluorescent Paint Yellow-Orange (#3102)
- Krylon Crystal Clear Acrylic Clear (#1303)
- Votive candle (one per pumpkin)
- 19 gauge steel wire, darkened anneated (approx. 11/2 2 1/2 ft. per pumpkin)
- Sponges (slightly dampen before use)
- Paper plate
- Drop cloth
- Assorted clean metal cans (models made using 1 to 2 lb. coffee cans)
- Awl and wooden mallet

- One 1/2" flat brush
- Marker
- Pencil
- Pliers

- 1) Fill can to 3/4" from top with water. Freeze.
- 2) Use marker to draw pumpkin face on can. Carefully punch holes along marked line, 1/8"–1" apart, using awl and mallet. Punch two holes for handle at top. Thaw ice and remove from can. Wipe dry.
- 3) Spray inside and outside of can with Gray Primer. Let dry.
- 4) Spray inside of can with Gloss Black. Let dry.
- 5) Spray outside of can with desired orange base color. Let dry.
- 6) Spray a puddle of Fluorescent paint on paper plate. Sponge paint randomly over outside of can. Let dry.
- 7) Spray a puddle of Tuscan Sunset paint on paper plate. Sponge onto cheek area at corners of mouth. Let dry.
- 8) Spray a puddle of Gloss Black paint on paper plate. Use brush to apply paint to eyes, nose, and mouth. Let dry.
- 9) Spray two coats of Crystal Clear allowing to dry between coats.
- 10) Cut a length of wire 6" to 8" longer than desired size. Create loops by coiling wire around pencil. Attach wire through handle holes. Wrap ends to secure; trim off excess wire.
- 11) Place candle inside can and light.

Spiderweb Silhouette Lantern

By: Sherry for The Charm of Home

Who knew spiders could look this elegant? This charming Halloween lantern is the perfect way to light up your party with a spooky table accent! Follow this tutorial to learn how to make your own version.



Materials:

- Vellum or Tracing Paper
- Rectangular lantern
- Tape
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker

Instructions:

1) Using this image as inspiration, draw a spider web on the tracing paper.



2) Draw spiders in desired locations on top of the web and fill in with black permanent marker. Add as many spiders as desired.



3) When you are done with your web and spiders, turn the paper horizontally and tape it to your lantern. It will only cover two sides of the lantern. You can add more paper to completely cover the lantern if desired.





Faux Bloody Votives

By: Erin for Schlosser Designs

Want to freak out your guests with some creepy party decorations? These Faux Bloody Votives have just the shock factor you're looking for. Get ready for shrieks and screams when they see these spooky props!



Materials:

- Glass votives
- Red acrylic paint
- LED tea lights (optional)

Instructions:

1) Wash your votives so they are free of fingerprints, oils, and dust.



2) Hold the votive at an angle and put a bead of acrylic paint around the inner top edge of the votive.



3) To get it to get a good drip shape, just tap the bottom of your votive on the counter top. The drips will appear on their own.



4) Let the votives dry and then place LED tea lights inside (if desired).

Halloween Cheesecloth Bat

By: <u>ilovetocreate.com</u>

This spooky bat is the perfect Halloween decoration to display on your lawn or in your living room if you're hosting a party! Fabric stiffener gives this craft its eerie design while the wiggly eyes add to its whimsy.



Materials:

- Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue®
- Tulip[®] Soft Fabric Paint[™] (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 for 24 hours. Carefully remove from bottles.
- 7) Cut out felt shapes using photo as a guide. Glue felt and wiggle eyes on cheesecloth.



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