

# CRAFTY CREATIONS

December 2010  
Episode #24

This Month: Winter Crafts, The Andy & Jessie Show & Food for Fines @ Your Library



## IT'S TIME FOR WINTER FUN @ YOUR LIBRARY!!!

It's December and 2010 is almost over, but before it ends, join Tremain & Alyssa as we introduce you to two quick crafts for wintertime. This month also marks Crafty Creations 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday with having aired 24 episodes since January 2008. The show is still going strong and we'll never be out of great craft ideas to share, children's books to promote, library services to tell you about and puppet shows to entertain you. Continue to follow us both online and on TV Channel 7.

A special thanks goes out to all who have followed the Crafty Creations show these past two years, whether you've viewed us online or on TV Channel 7. We're happy to offer you new ways to follow what your Abilene Public Library has to offer you in all areas of service.



### Main Library

202 Cedar St.  
Abilene, TX 79601  
(325) 676-6067

### South Branch

1401 S. Danville Dr.  
Abilene, TX 79605  
(325) 698-7565

### Mockingbird Branch

1214 N. Mockingbird Ln  
Abilene, TX 79603  
(325) 437-7323

### APL Website

[abilenetx.com/apl](http://abilenetx.com/apl)

### APL on YouTube

[youtube.com/aplibrary](http://youtube.com/aplibrary)

### APL on Facebook

[facebook.com/abilenepubliclibrary](http://facebook.com/abilenepubliclibrary)

### APL on podOmatic

[aplspace.podomatic.com](http://aplspace.podomatic.com)

### APL on Flickr

[flickr.com/photos/aplspace](http://flickr.com/photos/aplspace)

### Abilene on Twitter

[twitter.com/cityofabilene](http://twitter.com/cityofabilene)

### APL Teen MySpace

[myspace.com/aplteenspace](http://myspace.com/aplteenspace)

### Hours of Operation

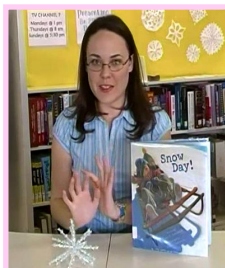
Mon., Tues., Thurs.  
9am – 9pm

Wed., Fri., Sat.  
9am – 6pm

## ALYSSA'S SPARKLING ICE CRYSTAL SNOWFLAKES

### Materials Needed

- Iridescent Pipe Cleaners
- Clear Tri-Beads
- Scissors



### Instructions

1. Cut 6 pipe cleaners in half to make 12 pieces. Hold 11 of them together and wrap the last pipe cleaner around the middle to bundle them together.
2. Spread the pipe cleaner pieces apart to look like a star. Then thread about 5 beads onto each pipe cleaner.
3. Continue to thread more beads until you've beaded all the pipe cleaners.
4. *You can also use string or thread to turn this craft into an ornament, perfect for hanging on a tree or decorating your room with.*

## TREMAIN'S COLORFUL FLUFFY PAINT

### Materials Needed

- Shaving Cream (White Foam Kind)
- Food Coloring
- Bowl
- Mixing Utensil



### Instructions

1. In a bowl (or other container) spray out some of the shaving cream. Depending on how many colors you want to make, you can make different batches using the same method.
2. Add a few drops of food coloring to the shaving cream. You don't need much and you can add as much as you like to get the color you want.
3. Mix with a utensil and you now have your Fluffy Paint.
4. *It's also fun to mix and match your fluffy paint by adding different colors of food coloring to the shaving cream. The possibilities are endless.*



## OUR CHILDREN'S BOOK SELECTIONS



### Alyssa's Children's Book Pick "Snow Day"

By: Lester Laminack

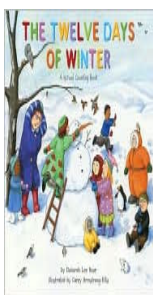
**Synopsis:** In this great children's book, when the television weatherman predicts a big snowfall, the narrator of the story happily imagines the many possibilities of the fun to be had with an unscheduled holiday from school.

### Tremain's Children's Book Pick

#### "Snow is My Favorite and My Best"

By: Lauren Child

**Synopsis:** Charlie & Lola are back in a story where the weatherman says it will snow soon. Lola loves the snow and wishes it could snow all the time, but Charlie shows her why that might not be a good idea because she'd miss out on other great things she likes to do.



### Additional Children's Book Selection

#### "The Twelve Days of Winter"

By: Deborah Lee Rose

**Synopsis:** From the author of "The Twelve Days of Kindergarten" comes another great book that's perfect for the season as a teacher introduces her class to wintertime. Plus, this book is a great counting book for kids to participate in as the story plays out until the very end.

## YOUR CRAFTY CREATIONS TEAM



**ALYSSA CROW** brings great ideas for crafts and books to highlight for each show. With a fondness for demonstrating projects that are kid-approved, you never know what she'll come up with.

**TREMAIN JACKSON** spends time putting together each of the videos and resource guides to go along with the episodes. Plus, he loves to come up with some little craft of his own to make.

## ANNUAL FOOD FOR FINES PROGRAM

It's time for the popular **Food for Fines Program @ Your Library** where donating canned goods will eliminate those pesky late fees. Each donated item equals \$1 in late fees to be waived.

All items will benefit the **Food Bank of West Central Texas** so don't miss out on the opportunity to do clear your library account while helping those in need this holiday season.

For more information, don't hesitate to contact library staff. We'll be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.



### Items Accepted Through This Program

- ✚ Canned Goods, Peanut Butter, Dry Pasta, Macaroni & Cheese, Rice, Noodles and other non-perishable items.

### Items Not Accepted Through This Program

- ✚ Canned items that have been jarred, canned or preserved at home, Expired Items, Damaged Goods, or Government Commodities.

## THE ANDY & JESSIE SHOW

Andy and Stories are back for another visit to the library to tell you about their favorite books library books. Andy & Jessie are avid readers and in this episode, Jessie will introduce you to one of her favorite animals that goes along with one of her favorite winter books titled "Tacky the Penguin" by Helen Lester. Look out for this great book, and many other titles, at your local library.



## NEXT TIME ON CRAFTY CREATIONS FUN WITH GOOD LUCK CRAFTS

### Catch Us on TV Channel 7

Crafty Creations airs on TV Channel 7, 3-days a week, Sundays at 5:30pm, Mondays at 1:00pm and Thursdays at 8:00am. Catch the full episodes on television, or the modified shows online.