

CRAFTY CREATIONS

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Episode #26

This Month: Fragrant Crafts, the Andy & Jessie Show and eBooks @ Your Library

AHHH, THE SWEET SMELLS OF FEBRUARY

It's time for more craft and fun in this latest edition of Crafty Creations. For February, join Alyssa and Tremain as we introduce you to some great smelling crafts that are surprisingly simple to make. Kids will have a blast making their own Scratch 'n' Sniff Art as well as Potpourri Pies, which are perfect for going along with our featured children's books.

Follow Crafty Creations online through our accounts on YouTube and Facebook, and be sure to download a copy of this activity and resource guide. Plus, don't miss our extended episodes airing on TV Channel 7 through the Abilene Television Network on Sundays @ 5:30 p.m., Mondays @ 1 p.m. and Thursdays @ 8 a.m.



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Mon., Tues., Thurs.
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9am – 6pm



ALYSSA'S COLORFUL FRAGRANT PAINT

Materials Needed

- Kool-Aid Packets
- Glue
- Paper or Card Stock
- Container
- Mixing Utensil
- Paint Brush



Instructions

1. Empty Kool-Aid packets into a container. If using different flavors, don't mix them together. Use a separate container for each flavor/color you want to make.
2. Add glue and mix the two ingredients together to form a thick liquid.
3. Once complete, grab an old paint brush and some paper and begin to draw your own art.
4. Once dry, not only will your art be colorful, but they will also smell great.
5. Voila, you have Scratch 'n' Sniff Art.

TREMAIN'S SWEET-SMELLING POTPOURRI PIE

Materials Needed

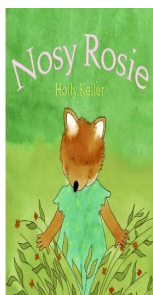
- Felt (Tan, Yellow or Golden Brown)
- Potpourri (or cloves and cinnamon sticks)
- Tin Pie Plate
- Scissors
- Pen
- Glue



Instructions

1. Turn the pie plate upside down on top of the felt and draw a circle around the plate slightly larger than the plate.
2. Optional: If you choose to use cinnamon sticks, break them up into pieces to fit inside the plate.
3. Fill the pie plate with potpourri. Remember, you can also use cinnamon sticks and cloves if you choose. Feel free to use what you have available.
4. Cut slits in the top of the felt circle to resemble a pie.
5. Attach the circle on the top of the pie tin using glue.
6. You're done and your pie is ready to be placed in your home as a great smelling decorations.

OUR CHILDREN'S BOOK SELECTIONS



Alyssa's Children's Book Pick

"Nosy Rosie"

By: Holly Keller

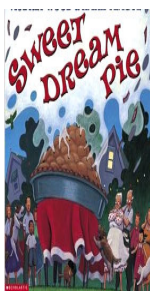
Synopsis: Join Rosie the Fox as she uses her special sense of smell to find lost belongings. Because of her special ability, she's called Nosy Rosie, which everyone thinks is funny but her. Not only will you discover Rosie's great sense of smell, but also learn about name calling and how it can hurt people's feelings.

Tremain's Children's Book Pick

"Sweet Dream Pie"

By: Audrey Wood

Synopsis: Ma & Pa Brindle have a special recipe for a great pie that uses a ton of candies and food. As everyone on their street smells the pie baking, they all join in on an evening party to have a slice or two. But this special pie makes your dreams come alive and their street is filled with wonderful sights and more.



Additional Children's Book Selection

"What Stinks?"

By: Marilyn Singer

Synopsis: This fact-filled book will introduce children to a number of icky smells that come from animals and plants. Some use them for protection, others to mark their territory and some to attract a mate. Kids will learn about many different smells that can be found in nature, and why they "stink."

YOUR CRAFTY CREATIONS TEAM



Crafty Creations Show
@ the Abilene Public Library

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.

EBOOKS AVAILABLE @ YOUR LIBRARY

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THE ANDY & JESSIE SHOW

It's February, and Andy & Jessie are at the library to see what information they can find about Black History Month. There's no better place to discover answers to questions than reading books at your library so see what they discover.



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