

CRAFTY CREATIONS

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Episode #33

This Month: Wearable T-Shirt Art & the Latest Book Talk Suggestion Segment

GET CRAFTY W/T-SHIRT ART FUN!!!

Kids love to be creative and we've got a great episode of Crafty Creations for you where we'll show you how to get hands on with designing some great T-Shirts as wearable artwork.

Whether for a special occasion, or just for fun, these easy & cheap techniques will have you turning any plain T-Shirt into something exciting to wear.

Join Tremain & Alyssa as we introduce you to some simple techniques, which have been crowd pleasers at previous library programs for kids and tweens.



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Abilene, TX 79601
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Mon., Tues., Thurs.
9am – 9pm
Wed., Fri., Sat.
9am – 6pm

A L Y S S A ' S C R A Y O N T - S H I R T S

Materials Needed

- Broken Crayons
- Wax Paper
- Iron
- Ironing Board
- Dish Towel
- White Paper
- T-Shirt



Instructions

1. Take your white t-shirt and place it on an ironing board and insert a piece of clean white paper between the layers of the shirt.
2. Break up the crayons into shavings and spread on top of the shirt. Kids can make any designs they like from hearts to rainbows and more.
3. Place a sheet of wax paper on top of the crayons and a dish towel on top of that. Use an iron on low heat to apply it to the crayons.
4. The colors will melt together, forming a fun design. You will be melting the color into the fabric so the wax will wash off, but the colors will stay a long time.

T R E M A I N ' S N O - F U S S T I E - D Y E T - S H I R T S

Materials Needed

- Colored Sharpies
- Rubbing Alcohol
- White T-Shirt
- Plastic Cup
- Rubber Bands



Instructions

1. Smooth a section of the shirt over the plastic cup and secure with a rubber band.
2. Use the sharpies to draw some designs inside the circle.
3. Drip the rubbing alcohol on the center of the circle. As the alcohol spreads out, it will pull the markers with it.
4. Continue adding drops of alcohol until you're happy with the pattern made by the markers.
5. Allow to dry for a couple minutes, then move on to another section of the shirt, adding more shapes and colors.
6. Once finished, tumble dry in a dryer for 15 minutes and you're all set to wear your shirt.



OUR CHILDREN'S BOOK SELECTIONS



Alyssa's Children's Book Pick

"Art's Supplies"

By: Chris Tougas

Synopsis: In this tale of imagination, Art's supplies come to life and create magic and art!!! From pastels to pencils to paints, crayons and more, everything gets caught up in the act of creating a mess-terpiece of fun.

Tremain's Children's Book Pick

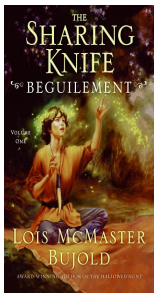
"The Ultimate T-Shirt Book"

By: Deborah Morgenthal

Synopsis: Discover a ton of great and fun ways to create t-shirts with unique designs from tie-dye to marbling to stamping and more, you'll be delighted with the number of fun ways you can create art to wear all year round. Check this out from your library.



THE BOOK CORNER SUGGESTIONS



Alyssa's Suggestion

Lois McMaster Bujold's *The Sharing Knife* Series

Synopsis: If you're a fan of fantasy novels, this epic series contains themes of devotion, destiny, perilous magic and more, and from one of the most honored writers in the field having one multiple Hugo Awards for excellence in science fiction or fantasy novels. Check this series out for yourself.

Tremain's Suggestion

Kathy Reichs' *Temperance Brennan* Series

Synopsis: This series, which inspired the hit Fox series "Bones," is a must read. Following the career of forensic anthropologist Dr. Temperance Brennan, she studies the remains of people to solve crimes. With her dry sense of humor and lack of people skills, she works diligently with a team of brilliant professionals to solve the case.



YOUR CRAFTY CREATIONS TEAM



ALYSSA CROW

South Branch Children's Librarian since 2005

TREMAIN JACKSON

South Branch Manager since 2005

KIDS PROGRAMS @ YOUR LIBRARY

We host regular public storytimes & events across all locations and for all ages. Take a look at our regular library programs and contact us if you have questions. You may also pick up a children's bookmark @ your library that will list the dates and times of each program, or view our events calendar online at www.abilenetx.com/apl.

Baby Steps

Ages 0-1, Weekly; Main Library & Mockingbird Branch

Lapsit

Ages 1-2, Weekly; Main Library

Toddler Time

Ages 2-3, Weekly; Main Library & Mockingbird Branch

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-6, Weekly; All Locations

Family Fun

All Ages, Monthly; All Locations

Tween Time

Ages 8-15, Monthly; All Locations

Teen Time

Ages 12-19, Monthly; Main Library

Make & Take

All Ages, Monthly; South Branch

Mini-Camps

Age Restrictions Based on Camp; South Branch

NEXT TIME ON CRAFTY CREATIONS CALMING CRAFTS FOR EVERYONE!!!

Don't miss our next episode because if you've ever been angry, mad, stressed out or any mood in-between, we'll be making some crafts to help relieve kids and adults of tension. The featured crafts will be **Stress Bag Relievers** and **Aromatherapy Bath Salts**.

Trust us, they'll be super easy to make and you find yourself making them all the time!!!

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Crafty Creations airs Sundays at 5:30pm, Mondays at 1:00pm and Thursdays at 8:00am.