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Online Creative Activities to chase away the Lockdown Blues

Cotton Bud Art

Resources

Here is a list of everything you will need to make art using cotton buds to paint with. With this method it is possible to get good results really quickly. We'd go as far as to say that the art has an "impressionist" feel to it – we think you'll like it.

As always, we have tried as far as possible to ensure that everything you need will be things you can find easily in a shop like Wilko's (other similar shops are available), if you don't already have them at home.

You will need...

- Cotton buds;
- A sheet of paper for a sketch pad or plain printer paper;
- Paint brushes, if you have them, or a small decorating brush - to create a background wash;
- A ballpoint pen;
- A marker or felt pen - to write on your artworks, perhaps to make them into greetings cards;
- Sellotape or masking tape;
- Paint - washable or acrylic (nothing fancy required) in the primary colours: red, yellow and blue, plus white. (If you have more colours, of course, you can use them!);
- A small amount of strong black coffee – as an alternative to brown paint;
- A cup for the coffee;
- A drinking straw (or a rolled-up piece of paper);
- A cup of water to clean your brushes.

We hope you enjoy spending time making your art!

And here are some we (Jane) did...





Something else to do

Designing a Book Cover

In the next video, Jane will show you how you use ordinary plain paper to cover a book and decorate it. Why not make a design for your book cover in advance using the cotton bud techniques? Once you've made your cover, you transfer the design, either by copying or by cutting it out and sticking it on.

Your design can be anything you like of course – pictures or abstract ideas, so get designing and we'll see you for the next one!

As always, we love to see your designs!

Please email us at: info@rutlandcommunityventures.uk

We're looking forward to hearing from you and seeing the results of your activities!

That's all for now. Goodbye - and we hope you enjoyed the activities!