



Artful Thinking

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Figurines: Cardboard rolls



Materials: Tissue paper (multicoloured pack), Cardboard rolls, scissors, acrylic paints, paint brushes, PVA glue, water, pipe cleaners, hot glue gun, newspaper, masking tape, image of your favourite character.



You'll need to keep cardboard rolls, old newspapers and grab some masking tape, ball up the newspaper, then secure it with tape. Attach this to be the "head" of your figurine, secure with tape.

With your favourite character in mind (or open on a screen), begin to build up the skin tones of your character. We chose Nori Brandyfoot and Meteor man from "Rings of Power". Using a mixture of watery PVA glue, brush this over the newspaper head, then layer the tissue paper over it.



You can add other base details like ears, horns etc. We used card and glued them to the side of the head.

Then cut small strips of other colours for hair/fur, and layer these, think about different lengths, follow the characters hair/fur.





Feel free to make the extra small details that adds to the uniqueness to your character. We made the branch in Nori's hair, then using found small balls will become the acorns. Using a pipe cleaner to create the branch, by cutting the wire then twisting it back on itself and securing it with a hot glue gun.

Time to add texture, we didn't have brown tissue paper, but had lots of different tones of brown paint. Have fun mixing your paint to be different tones, then paint them on your character. Paint the face too, take your time to blend the colours, using blues to blacks for fine details then a combination of warmer colours to bring it to life.



You can add arms or anything you want, these make excellent display figurines or handmade toys to gift to friends, family, or yourself. We also made a Winnifred from Hocus Pocus!!