

Icons of Fun: Portraits of Sacred Toys on Tin Inspired by Mexican Folk Art

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SUPPLIES

Cardboard (can be taken from a shipping box)
Tinfoil
Glue Stick
Favorite Object or image of something treasured by you.
Pencil
Piece of paper
Tape
Permanent Marker
Paint (acrylic or tempera)
Liquid dish soap
Paint brush

shapes and patterns and textures on the tinfoil board. You may want to paint an object, toy or device that has been dear to you. For the example, the subject is a game my family has had a great deal of fun playing this summer: the squishy burritos from "Throw Throw Burrito."

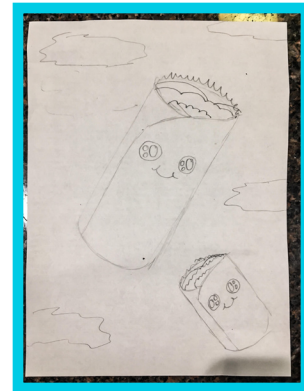
STEP ONE | CREATE YOUR SURFACE

- Find a piece of cardboard. Cut a piece of aluminum foil that is large enough to wrap around the edges of the cardboard.
- Cover one side of the cardboard in glue stick and place the glue side down on the foil.
- Wrap excess foil around cardboard and glue in place.



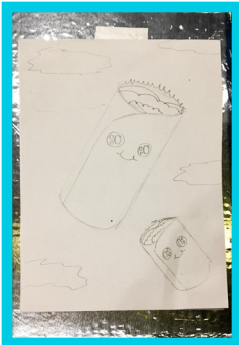
STEP TWO | DECIDE ON YOUR SUBJECT

- At this point your options are endless. You may want to create



STEP THREE | DRAWING

- There are two ways you can go about this next step. When deciding, keep in mind you cannot erase the texture you create with your pencil when drawing on the tinfoil.
- Option One | Be bold and Just start drawing with your pencil OR
- Option Two | Cut a piece of paper to the size of your prepared cardboard and create your drawing there first.



STEP FOUR | TRANSFER YOUR IMAGE (IF YOU WENT WITH OPTION TWO)

- Take your sketch and tape the top of the drawing to the tin foil side of the cardboard and trace the image. Press hard and consider using a colored pencil so you know where you have already traced.
- When you are done tracing, you will have indentations of your drawing on the tin (you could also trace an image or photo).



STEP FIVE | OUTLINES AND TEXTURE

Define the lines you want to see with a permanent marker.
Create texture with your pencil.



STEP SIX | ADDING COLOR

OPTION ONE | Permanent Marker

If you have permanent markers in a variety of colors, you can color your image in. This creates a shiny effect.

OPTION TWO | Paint

Mix two parts acrylic or tempera with one-part liquid dish soap to create a chalky translucent paint that will stick to the tin foil.

OPTION THREE | TRY BOTH TECHNIQUES TOGETHER



BUT THAT'S NOT ALL | *Things to consider...*

Experiment and have fun! These are ideas are just a jumping off points for creating your own special work of art.

