

Recycled Art Jellyfish Craft

Making art is a lot of fun, especially when you get to make things from stuff you already have lying around! So join us in making a whole bloom or “smack” of colorful & fun jellyfish!



What you'll need:

- A clean plastic, aluminum or other lightweight container
- Sandpaper
- Paint
- Sequins, stickers, glitter, etc.
- String, yarn, streamers or other multi-colored fabric
- Glue/Tape
- Scissors

Instructions:

1. First, make sure to clean your recycled jar or can on both the inside and outside. Cut your jar, can or other container to the size you want the bell or the “head” of the jellyfish to be.
2. If you're using a plastic container, use the sandpaper to rough up the outside. Paint a white or black base layer first and let dry completely. This helps subsequent paint to stick better. Now you can paint whatever design you want on the bell. You can make it look realistic or wacky; it's time to be creative! You can glue on sequins or glitter to make it sparkle or add stickers or even googly eyes! Let it dry completely.
3. Next we're going to add tentacles to our jellyfish. Cut several tentacles (I like to do at least 8-10 but you can do more or less) depending on the size of your jellyfish “head.” Usually 6-10 inches is long enough, but if you have a small bell try for 4-6 inch tentacles. Tape or glue on the tentacles to the inside of the open bottom of the container.

Bonus step If you want to hang up your jellyfish, you can use scissors or a nail to open up a small hole in the top of the jellyfish. Cut out your desired length of yarn, string or fishing line and make a large knot on one end. Push the string through the hole until the jellyfish rests on the large knot or tape the string to the inside of the container and hang it up anywhere around the house!

