

# EarthFest 2012



## Paper Plate Fish

### Materials

- White paper plates
- Colored paper like gift wrap.
- Water-based paints and paint brushes
- Glitter
- Scissors and hole punch
- Stapler
- Paper Glue
- String cut about 2 feet long
- 3-foot long stick to carry fish

### Instructions:

1. Cut a wedge out of the paper plate. This becomes the fish's tail. Staple it, pointed end to the paper plate.
- 2.
3. Draw an eye and glue glitter to it.
- 4.
5. Now paint scales on the fish, or decorate any way you see fit. Just have loads of fun!
- 6.
7. Finish pupper by tying one end of the string through the hole and the other end to the stick.

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## Plastic Bottle Flowers and Sea Stars

### Materials:

- Empty plastic bottles of various sizes
- White glue
- Scissors
- Markers
- Acrylic paints
- Paint brushes
- Sandpaper
- Glitter and sequins
- Skewers and/or wire
- Hats or forms to attach flowers to

### Instructions:

1. Cut the plastic bottle one-third of the way down from the top.
2. Sand the bottle using sandpaper.
3. Mark at least 5 “petals” or “legs” using a waterproof marker. Cut along the lines to form “petals”.
4. Coat with a layer of white glue and let dry.
5. Paint and decorate the petals using acrylic paints, waterproof markers and other stickers and glitter.
6. Poke a small hole through the bottle cap. Place a skewer through the hole and screw back onto the bottle or use wire to attach to hat.
7. That’s it....You’ve just made a great recycled craft! Congrats!

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## Paper Butterflies

### Materials:

- Colorful magazine pages
- Pipe cleaners

### Instructions:

1. For each butterfly, choose 2 colorful magazine pages.
2. Cut out 2 squares, one 5 inches on a side, the other.
3. Starting at one corner, accordion-fold the squares on their diagonals. Our folds were 1/4 inch each.
4. Pinch the center of each folded square. Bend a 12-inch pipe cleaner in half and create a small loop. Arrange the squares in a butterfly shape and center them inside the pipe cleaner.
5. To secure the wings, twist the pipe cleaner above and below the wings and curl the ends for antennae.

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