



wind tags

These are inspired by the late Portland lettering artist Lloyd Reynolds. His influence on calligraphy and bookarts was immense and he touched the hearts of many. I particularly enjoyed his weathergrams, and this is the version I created to share with our son.

We found that acrylic paint was our favorite decoration because it flowed on like the wind and stays vibrant all seasons, even through the rain.

materials

paper bag (like used grocery bags)
scissors & x-acto knife
cutting mat
ruler
hole punch
yarn or ribbon for hanging
decorating materials (paint, crayons, colored masking tape, star stickers)

instructions



step 3.



step 4.

remember, these are just guidelines. please, play and find your own way...

1. cut down one side (corner) of the paper bag so it can be opened flat
2. trim off the bottom of the bag and recycle
3. place the bag printed side facing up
4. fold the bottom edge up about 2 inches from the top of the bag
5. now fold the top of the bag down, with the crease lining the edge you just folded up in step 4.
6. using an x-acto knife, cutting mat & ruler, cut the folded bag into 2" wide strips
7. open each strip, printed side down, and decorate
8. once all the paint is dry, fold the strip back up and punch a hole in the top, through the 2" tab.
9. string your ribbon or yarn through the hole and tie the ends together
10. hang your beautiful wind tags outside in your favorite tree.

instructions



step 5.

when we painted, we found it was fun to line them all up together and paint them as one giant piece.

we used scraps from my knitting projects to hang them in the trees

these make great house warming presents, a little decoration for a brand new yard



step 6.



step 7.