

## Witch Craft: Create a Scarecrow with The Walt Disney Family Museum

- **General Tools:**

- - Sharpie
- - Pencil and eraser
- - Hot glue gun
- - Scissors

- **Scarecrow:**

- - Dowel sticks (2x)
  - - Roll of burlap fabric (for the head and body)
  - - 12 x 12 additional fabric (for the arms)
  - - Colored construction paper (2x - one for stuffing and one for the hat)
  - - Small strip of cardboard
  - - Golden brads (2x - 3x)
  - - Small cushion pins (5x - 6x)
  - - Small clothes pins (2x)
  - - Spool of black thread
  - - Spool of twine
  - - Pipe cleaners (4x)
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- To build the head, first take a regular piece of construction paper and scrunch it into a ball.
  - Once you have the desired shape, take your roll of burlap fabric and cut a strip.
  - Wrap the burlap fabric tightly over your paper ball
  - Then secure it with 1 to 2 cushion pins at the back.
  - Once secure, take a long piece of twine and wrap it tightly around the bottom of the head
  - Trim any excess twine if needed
  - To begin assembling the body, take one dowel stick and lather the top portion with hot glue (tacky glue is a good alternative but it may take longer to dry)
  - Firmly push the dowel stick inside the burlap head and reinforce with glue where needed
  - For the arms, grab a 12in x 12in piece of fabric and lay it flat
  - Take a dark sharpie to draw out evenly spaced vertical and horizontal lines
  - Once a grid has been formed, color every other square to make a checkered pattern (optional)
  - Flip your patterned fabric so that the pattern side is not visible
  - Take your second dowel and add glue across the whole stick
  - Firmly place the dowel at the top portion of the fabric, with the good side facing downwards
  - Roll the dowel towards the bottom, keeping the fabric loose

- Add a final line of glue across the bottom open portion of the fabric and roll down to secure it
- To attach the arms to the body, cut two holes in the burlap big enough to slide the arms through
- For the hat, take a piece of construction paper and fold it in half
- Open the paper back up and with a pencil, draw an X in the middle. This will be the center of your hat.
- Rough sketch a circle around the X. Draw out bigger than planned, so you have room to trim if necessary.
- Fold your paper back up again and cut out the semi-circle. Once opened again, it will create a symmetrical circle.
- For the inside, draw another smaller circle in the middle
- Fold the paper once again to cut out the smaller circle
- Test out the brim of your hat to ensure it fits nicely onto your scarecrow's head and trim any excess if needed
- For the top portion of the hat, take the remaining pieces of your construction paper and cut out a long rectangle
- Roll the rectangle piece into a cylinder, making sure it's round enough to fit inside the brim portion of the hat
- Use glue to secure the edges down (You can use a clothespin to help keep it in one place as you work from one side to another)
- Trim your cylinder to the desired size of your hat if needed
- Add glue to the bottom of the cylinder and place it down onto the brim of your hat
- For some extra decor, take a strip of cardboard and peel off the top layer
- For any extra top pieces that have not pulled off, you can take your pencil to remove the remaining top layer. This will give some added texture.
- Cut out a smaller strip from your piece of cardboard long enough to fit around your hat
- Glue the strip around the hat, trimming any excess where necessary
- To make the scarecrow's hands, take two small clothes pins and glue them onto each side of the arm dowel
- Take pipe cleaners, lining them up at varying points and cut them into small pieces.
- Glue the small strands onto the different sides of the clothes pin to create the illusion of straw. Avoid gluing pipe cleaners onto the hinge of the clothespin.
- With 2 to 3 golden brads, insert them into the burlap and open the tabs to secure it. These will be your buttons for your scarecrow.
- For the eyes and nose, take 3 cushion pins and place them onto the burlap head
- For the face, take a small strand of black thread and make it into a smile (or the desired expression)
- Glue small dots onto the thread to secure the base part of the mouth onto the burlap

- With smaller pieces of thread, dab glue throughout the smile to create the illusion of stitching
- Glue the bottom part of your scarecrow's hat and press it firmly onto the head