

Paint Fireworks with Paper Rolls

Painting with toddlers can be a rewarding experience for all. But there are some great, creative ways to help the youngest artists get involved in the fun! It does take some prep and planning – but the discovery through play is fantastic to watch as your little artist explores! **Come prepared to model the basics of this project, but also let your toddler get creative and get messy.**



Materials Needed:

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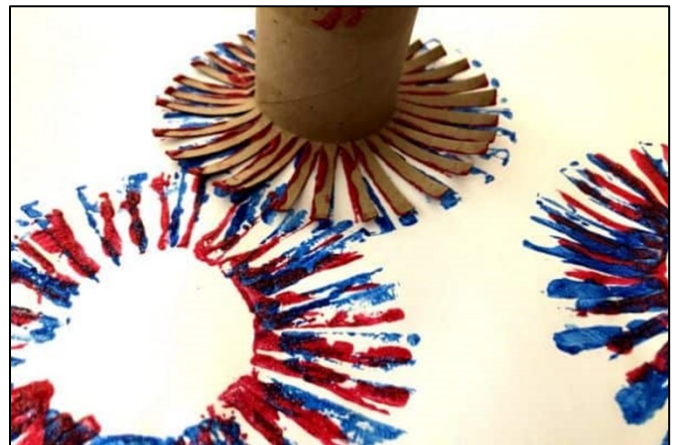
3 or 4 toilet paper or paper towel rolls

waxed paper

3 or 4 colors paint

3 or 4 paper plates

How to: Cut slits of varying sizes about 2 inches up your toilet paper roll, continue until you have got slits all the way around. Push it down on the table to flatten the slits out. Have your child dip it in paint and stamp it on the waxed paper. Repeat: Dip in Paint, Stamp on Wax Paper. You can use one toilet paper roll for each color or just let them dab in to mix colors and see what you get. You could use a piece of tape to hold the wax paper in place if the paper seems to move around the table. Let it dry and hang in the window. Fun for all ages.



Developmentally this activity encourages language opportunities through actions: dip, squish paint on paper, and color names are just a few. Using gestures, sounds, and words to request colors, to help, to decorate more, to put fireworks in different parts of the paper. Building confidence and eye-hand coordination are worked on with this activity– deciding the color to put the paper roll into and then hold the paper and push the roll on the paper.

Links below have examples of how to set up for these activities:

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