



diy Puppet Theater

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TOOLS YOU'LL NEED

- white foam display board, tri-fold*
- xacto knife
- pencil
- ruler
- colored duct tape*
- red foam board*
- quick dry glue *–or–* hot glue
- gold paper ribbon
- binder clips (color coordinate with duct tape!)
- fabric for your backdrop

*Available at office supply stores (Staples, Office Max, etc.)

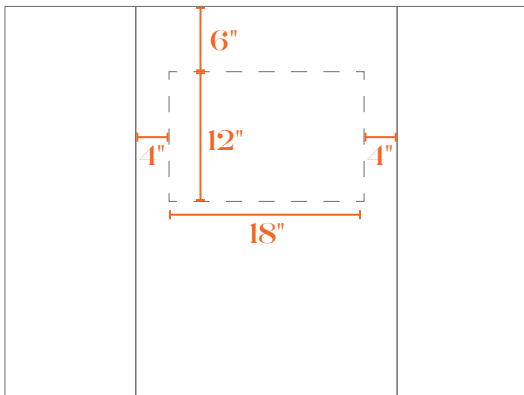
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- use fabric markers to draw scenery on a white fabric backdrop
- create patterns on the outside of the puppet theater with different colors of duct tape
- use leftover wallpaper to cover the outside of the puppet theater

step-by-step

STEP #1

Using a pencil on the inside of the tri-fold display board, draw a rectangle according to the dimensions below.



STEP #2

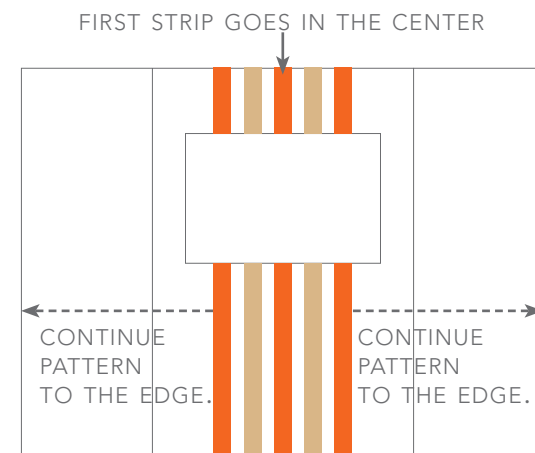
Use an xacto knife with a fresh blade and straight edge to cut out the rectangle.

STEP #3

On the outside of the tri-fold display board, measure the center of the middle panel & make a light pencil mark.

STEP #4

On top of the mark you just made, run the first strip of colored duct tape from the top to the bottom of the display board (omitting the rectangular cut-out). Continue your pattern to the left & right edges.





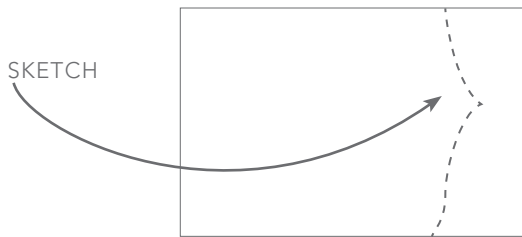
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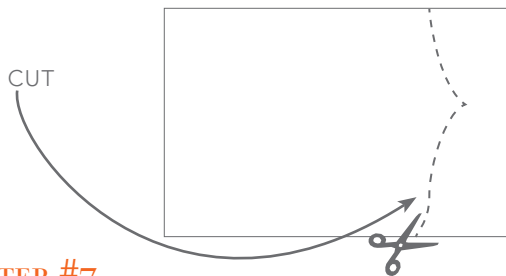
STEP #5

On the reverse side of red foam board, sketch a curtain. I like to use the corners of the foam board so I have nice neat edges & less cutting!



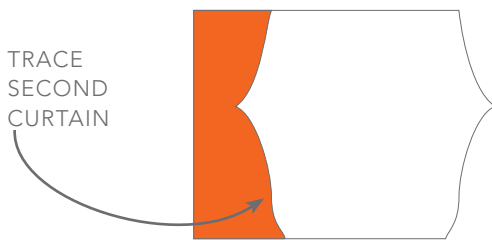
STEP #6

Using an xacto blade, cut out the curtain.



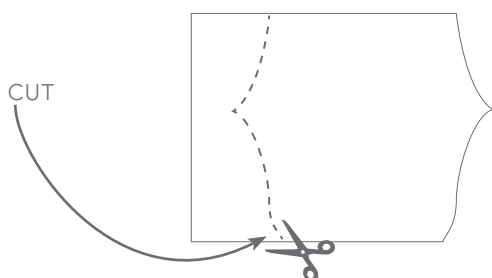
STEP #7

Flip over the first curtain & use it to trace the second curtain.



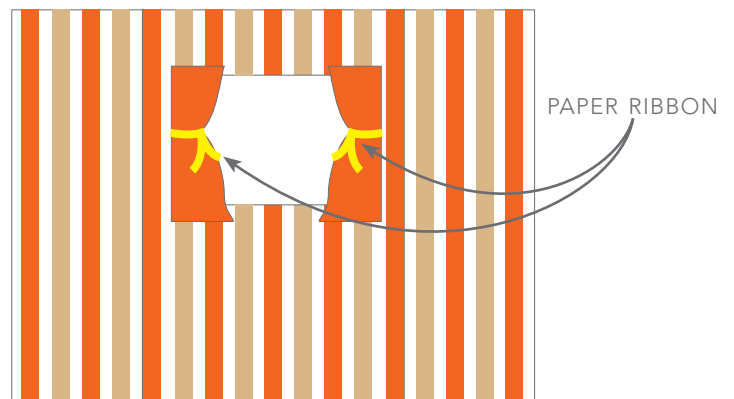
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Cut out the second curtain.



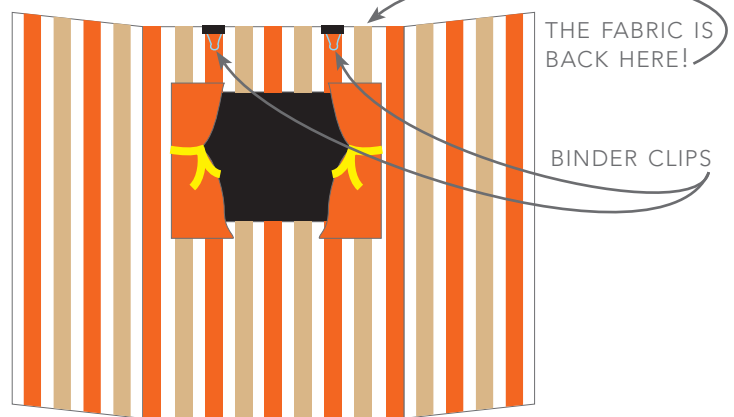
STEP #8

Decorate the curtains with paper ribbon & then, using quick dry or hot glue, adhere the curtains to the front of the decorated tri-fold display board.



STEP #9

Use binder clips to clamp the fabric to the back of the tri-fold display board.



STEP #10

Gather an audience, it's time for your first puppet show!

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