

# Happy Birthday to You

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and Birthday Activities



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## Letter from the Editors

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Hi Holiday Crafters,

We know that everyone loves a good birthday party. It's always fun to be with family and friends, munching on tasty treats. But what makes a birthday party go from good to great? We think it's all about the fun decorations and party activities, which is why we have compiled this collection of one to eight of our very favorite birthday crafts. These party crafts will be sure to turn a good party into an even greater one. From activities for the kids to handmade cards, decorations and creative sweets, this selection of birthday projects will set the stage for party perfection. Have a ball with these birthday crafts and start planning your next big birthday bash with your family. You'll be glad to use these fun and entertaining birthday projects to entertain your guests at your next birthday event.

Happy Crafting,

*[The Editors of AllFreeHolidayCrafts](#)*

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## Harry Potter Wands

By: Marigold Haske from Hideous! Dreadful! Stinky!

Make your own Harry Potter Party Wands for your little wizard's next birthday. These wands can function as a party favor that every one of your little guests will enjoy. Use hot glue and paint to add texture and decorate each wand in a unique way. Take a load off with the other parents and watch your birthday-goers play with this imaginative craft.

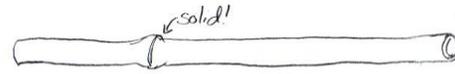


### Materials:

- Bamboo sticks
- Hand saw
- Lightweight spackling
- Craft (popsicle) stick
- Bamboo skewers
- Styrofoam
- Hot glue gun
- Hot glue sticks
- Metallic acrylic craft paint
- Paintbrushes and foam brushes
- Assorted cores (feathers, fibers, etc.)

### Instructions:

1) Use a handsaw to cut bamboo sticks down to lengths of 9"-12". Cut your bamboo so the bumps are 1/3 from the bottom of the wand.



2) Seal off the bottom of your bamboo sticks with lightweight spackling; dry for 15 minutes.

3) Meanwhile, push bamboo skewers into a block of Styrofoam and heat your hot glue gun.



4) Use hot glue to create the handle designs. Place each wand on a bamboo skewer to set.



5) To finish, paint your wands with acrylic craft paints. Be sure to cover up the white spackling at the bottom of the handle.

## Newspaper Birthday Hat

By: Stephanie Gerber from Henry Happened

Make your birthday girl and her friends their own special party hats with the help of the Newspaper Birthday Hat tutorial. Use your little one's head as a guide to construct the hat; she'll love to participate in this goofy process! When you are finished decorating, it's time for her to celebrate in style.



### Materials:

- Newspaper
- Stapler
- Scissors
- Tape
- Decorations (tissue paper, streamers or ribbon, and pom poms)

### Instructions:

1) Put 2-3 double newspaper pages on child's head facing different directions.



2) Hold the paper around the child's forehead and go around with tape at least twice.

3) Fold up the edges and staple to create the brim.



4) Now for the decorations! Cut a long, wide piece of tissue paper and scrunch at the bottom to form a flower. Let the child tape the flower to her hat and you're done



## Birthday Princess Bracelet

By: Amanda Formaro from Crafts by Amanada

If you're looking to add sparkle to your little princess's special day, check out this DIY tube craft you can create from materials found around the house. Grab some craft jewels and let the young ones shine! This is a great activity that any little princess can do at a party.



### Materials:

- Cardboard tube
- Scissors
- Pink felt
- White craft glue
- Craft jewels

### Instructions:

1) Cut cardboard tube into 1.5" wide rings (for each bracelet). Cut each ring open so that the bracelet can be easily slipped onto child's wrist.



2) Cut a strip of felt 1.5" wide long enough to cover the tube.

3) Use white craft glue to attach the felt to the cardboard tube.



4) Use a generous amount of white craft glue to cover the outside of the bracelet with craft jewels.



5) Allow to dry completely and wear!

## Happy Birthday Glassware

By: Kristen Jones for [Plaid Enterprises](#)

This Happy Birthday Glassware would make a great addition to your collection of party supplies. You'll be able to use this fun platter and the matching glasses all year round for each birthday in your family. This birthday craft is a fun and functional painting project that your family will be sure to love.



### Materials:

- FolkArt Enamels Paints in Wicker White, Engine Red, Pure Orange, School Bus Yellow, Cobalt, Clear Medium, and Hauser Green Medium
- #12 flat brush
- #2 flat brush
- #2 script liner
- Clear glass plate
- Glass tumblers

### Instructions:

1) Load the 3/4" flat with one of the following colors: Cobalt, Engine Red, Grass Green or Pure Orange.

2) Dip the chisel edge of brush into Clear Medium paint and blend. Paint the body of the candle using the flat side of the brush. Repeat for other colored candles.

2) Load the #12 flat with School Bus Yellow and then add a touch of Wicker White to one corner. Using the flat side of the brush, paint the flames.

3) Load the script liner with Engine Red and a touch of Pure Orange to paint the wick.

3) Add stripes, squiggles, stars, and x's to the candles for decoration.

4) Load the script liner with Whicker White and apply thickly to the tops of the candles to look like melted wax.

5) Allow your piece to dry for one hour to be sure all layers of paint have dried.

6) Place the piece in a cool oven. Set the oven temperature to 350°F and bake for 30 minutes

7) After baking, let glass cool completely in the oven. Do not use for 72 hours.

**Note:** Glass must heat gradually in the oven to avoid breakage; do not place glass in a hot oven.

## Sports Ball Party Ornaments

By: Amanda Formaro from Crafts by Amanda

Get ready to play ball at your child's next birthday party! You can create these Sports Ball Party Ornaments to add a sporty twist to DIY ornaments. It's a handmade ornament that can become a great addition to your next sports themed event.



### Materials:

- MagiKote
- Americana Starlight Topcoat
- Americana Cadmium Orange
- Americana White Wash
- Americana Ebony Black
- Americana Berry Red
- 3 3" Styrofoam balls
- Stick pins
- String
- Flat paintbrush
- Liner brush
- Pencil
- Sand paper
- Hot glue gun
- Scissors

### Instructions:

1) Using a 3/4" flat paintbrush, apply 3 coats of MagiKote to each ball. Allow 2-3 hours to dry between coats.



2) Sand the entire surface to remove any rough edges.



3) Using the flat paintbrush, paint 2 balls white and the last ball orange. Two coats are needed.



4) Use your liner paintbrush to paint the black lines of the basketball and soccer ball, and the red lines of the baseball.

5) Use a flat paintbrush to fill in the black sections of the soccer ball.

6) Use the 3/4" flat paintbrush to add two coats of Starlight Topcoat, and you're done!

Note: Be sure to allow yourself enough drying time between each coat.



## Chocolate Cat Cake Pops

By: Cindy Thompson for [Craftfoxes](http://Craftfoxes)

Looking for the perfect addition to your birthday dessert table? Try these Chocolate Cat Cake Balls, easy-to-make cake pops with an adorable design. This is a dessert craft that is sure to be the cat's meow at your next birthday event.



### Materials:

- Prepared cake
- Frosting
- A Wilton Sprinkle Set with triangles
- Wilton Candy Eyeballs
- Wilton Lollipop Sticks (6-'' size)
- Candy corn



### Instructions:

1) Prepare the cake mix according to the box. Crumble it into a bowl and mix in 1/2 to 1/3 of the frosting container. Blend until the cake can be rolled into balls.



2) Use a cookie scoop to measure out each cake pop. Scoop and roll the cake into balls just larger than 1'' in diameter.

3) Arrange your cake balls on a cookie sheet and place them in the refrigerator for an hour.



4) Melt a small amount of almond bark and dip the end of a stick into melted chocolate. Insert the chocolate-covered end halfway into the center of a cake ball.

5) Refrigerate cake pops for 15 minutes with the sticks inside to harden.

6) Remove the cake pops, and stand them upright in a Styrofoam base.

7) Take two pieces of candy corn and chop off the flat end to shorten them. Use a toothpick dipped in melted chocolate to attach your candy corn to the cake pop and create the ears.



8) When the ears are firmly attached dip the cake pops in melted chocolate; refrigerate for 15 minutes.

9) Decorate the face with candy eyes, using a toothpick to dab melted chocolate onto the cake pop where you want to add the candy pieces.



10) Add orange triangles for the inside of the ears, long chocolate sprinkles for whiskers, and an orange candy sprinkle to make the nose.

## Hidden Message Thank You Cards

By: Jo Ebisujima from A Bit of This and A Bit of That

Do you want to thank someone special with something other than a store bought card? Create your own Hidden Message Thank You Cards to show how much you care with cute handmade cards. Each flap of these creative homemade cards will have a personal message that will let your loved ones know just how grateful you are.



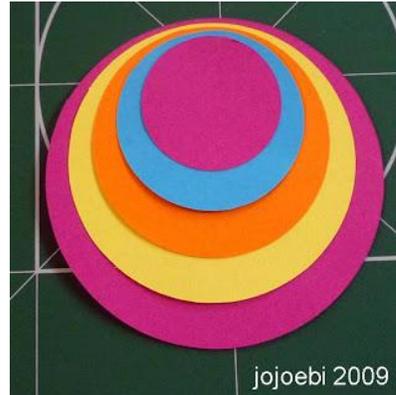
### Materials:

- Different colored cardstock
- Paper Punch
- Decorative brads

### Instructions:

1) Using your paper punch cut out 5 circles in different colors, each one a bit smaller than the last.

2) Place the circles on top of each other.

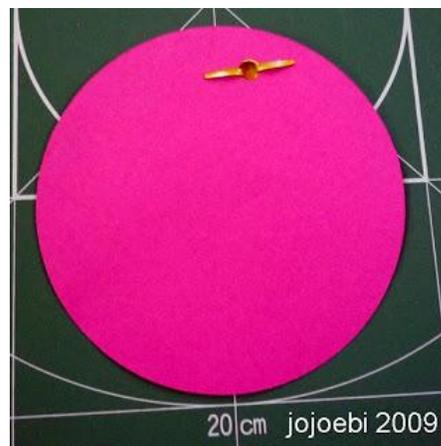


3) Punch a hole in the top.



4) Push a brad through and open the legs to secure.

5) Add your personalized greetings to finish.



## Scrap Fabric Gift Tags

By: Melony Miller Bradley for Mel Designs

When it is time to wrap gifts for someone you love, add a personalized touch with these easy-to-make Scrap Fabric Gift Tags. These handmade gift tags are a thoughtful way to show your love for someone on their next birthday!

### Materials:

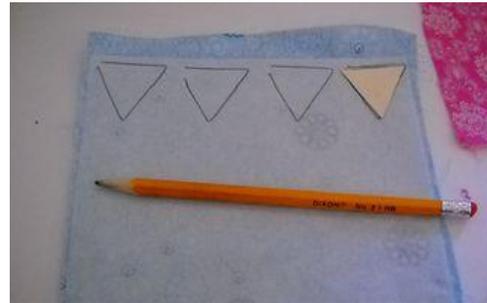
- Fabric scraps in coordinating colors
- Plain manila tags
- Jute for the hangers
- StazOn ink in black
- A stamp in sentiment of your choice
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Iron and pressing surface
- Cardstock scraps
- Sewing machine
- Thread



### Instructions:

1) Fuse the webbing to your fabrics.

2) Create a small triangle template from the cardstock to trace your shapes in pencil on the paper side of the fused fabrics.



3) Trace and cut all of your triangles out with scissors. You will need five flags per tag.



4) Arrange your flags on the tag and peel away the paper backing.



5) Use the iron to press each flag in place and cut away any edges that hang off the tag.



6) Sew the top of the flags to the tag with your sewing machine and a contrasting thread color.



7) Stamp the sentiment on to the bottom of the tag.



8) Add a jute hanger and you are done!

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