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# DIY CROWN MARACAS





## YOU WILL NEED:

### For the crowns:

- 3 clean tea tins (or hot cocoa tin, seasoning containers, etc. Anything cylindrical with a lid)
- Gold glitter paper or vinyl
- Various jewels & gems
- Filling: Bells, beans, rice
- White pom poms
- Gold fabric puff paint
- Acrylic paint: Red, green, purple

### Tools:

- Hot glue gun & glue sticks
- Craft knife & scissors
- Ruler & tape measure
- Pencil & paper
- Foam paint brush
- White glue
- Super glue

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## STEP 1: PAINT THE CONTAINER

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Lightly paint the entire container and let dry. If using a metal tea tin, don't worry if the paint does not seem to cover completely at first. Try to cover the entire tin in a coat of paint as best as you can. Once dry go ahead and add a second coat.

The second coat will stick to the first layer of paint and provide a smooth, even coat.

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## STEP 2: MEASURE THE CONTAINER

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Use the measuring tape to wrap around the container and measure the circumference for the paper.

If your tin has a lid that overlaps the container on the sides, place the lid on the container and measure the height of the tin from the lid rim. The lid will be the rim of your crown.

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### STEP 3: CUT OUT THE PAPER OR VINYL

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**A.** Use the measurements for the height and circumference to measure and cut out a piece of vinyl or paper.

**B.** Separate into 4 or 5 even strips. These will be the tips of your crown.



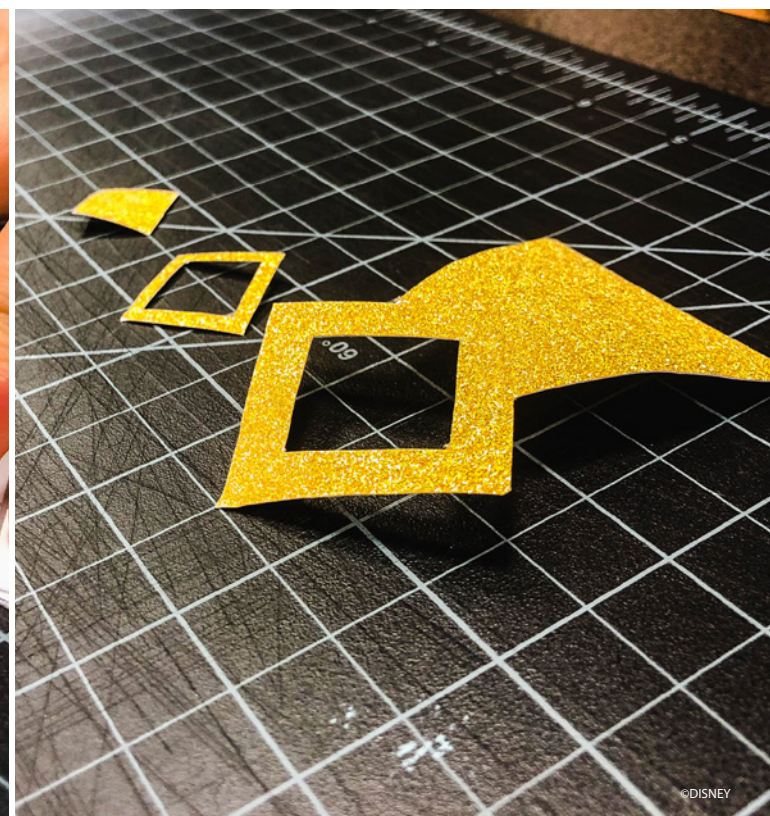
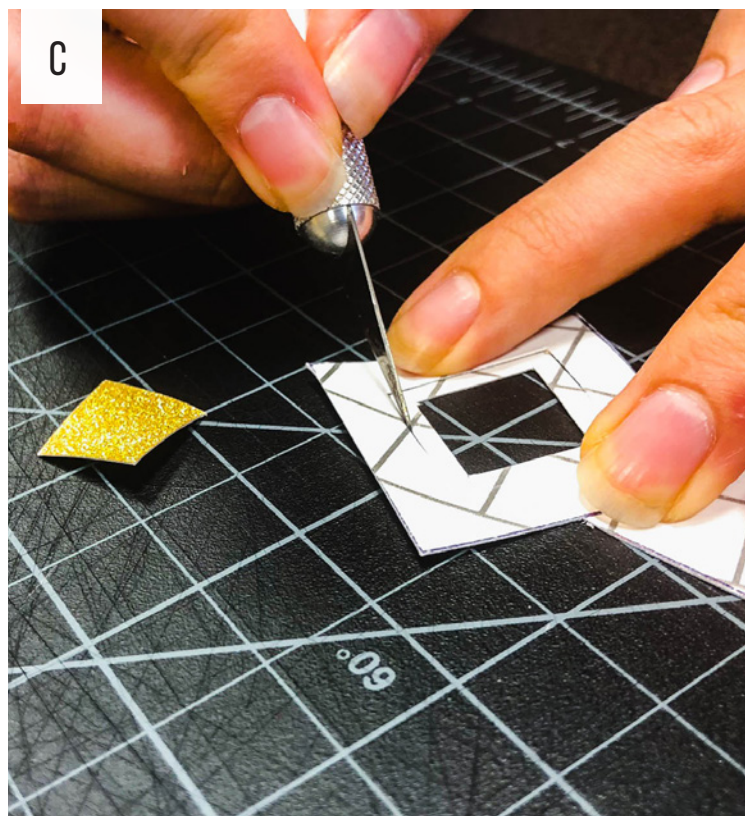
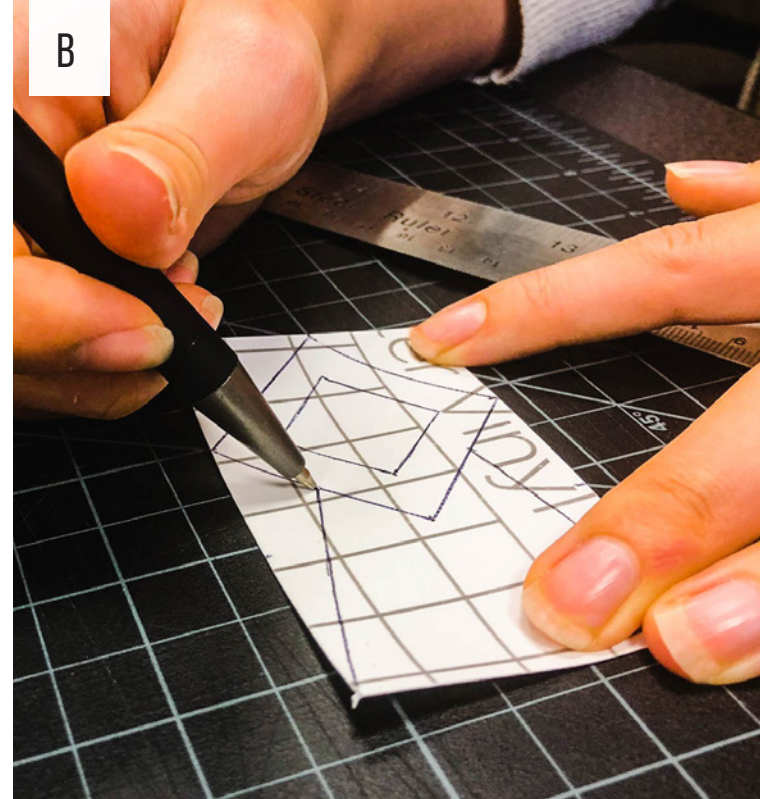
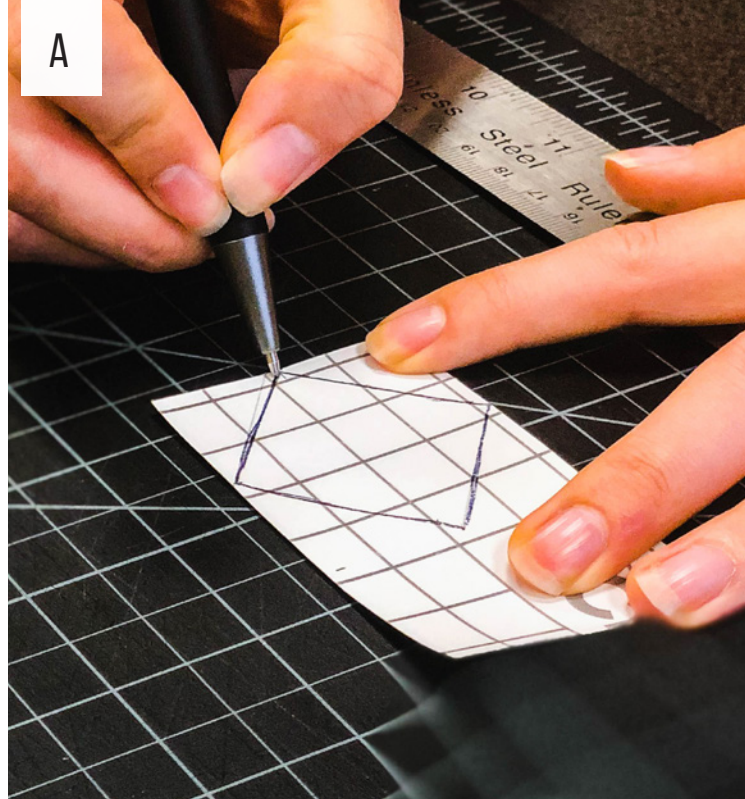
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## STEP 4: CREATE THE CROWN DESIGN

- A.** Start from the top of the strip and measure 4 points for square, use a pen to connect the points.
- B.** Draw a line halfway between the square and the bottom corners. Measure the inner square.
- C.** Cut out all the pieces.



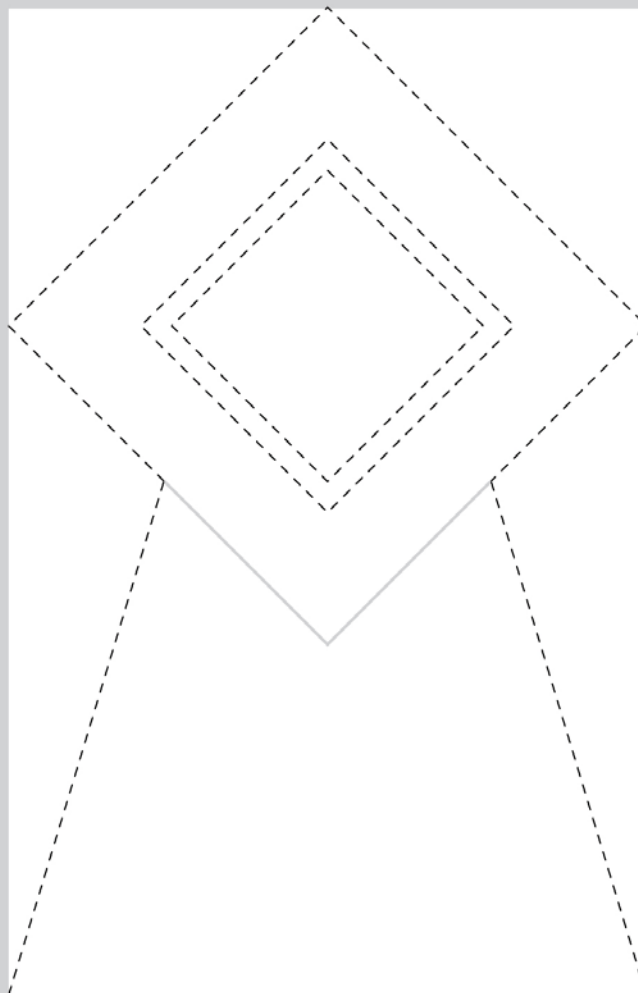
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### TRIANGLE CROWN VERSION

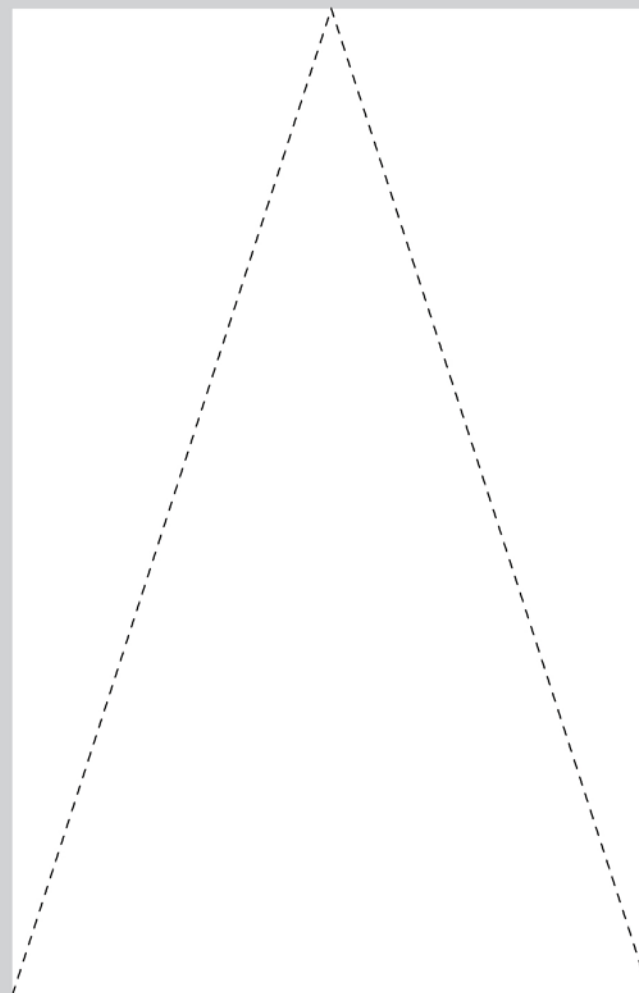
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#### For a simple crown version:

- A.** On the top of the strip, measure halfway and mark with a pencil.
- B.** Use a pencil to connect both bottom corners to this middle point.
- C.** Cut out. Repeat for all strips of paper.



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## STEP 5:

### ADHERE THE PAPER OR VINYL

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**If using glitter paper:** Use white glue to attach the paper pieces around the entire container.

**If using vinyl glitter paper:** Carefully peel the backing off the vinyl. Start from the bottom of the vinyl piece, use your fingers to carefully press the vinyl onto the surface of the container until it lays smooth. Be sure to leave room for the overlapping rim of the lid.

**TIP:** Save the inner square pieces from the vinyl cutouts and use them as extra details around the rim of your crown.

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## STEP 6: DECORATE THE CROWN RIM

**Paper version:** Use the extra glitter paper or vinyl to wrap the bottom of the crown. Use scissors or a craft knife to trim the excess paper.

**Pom pom version:** Use a hot glue gun to glue two rows of tiny pom poms all around the base of the crown.

*Optional:* Glue small gold squares between each column of pom poms.



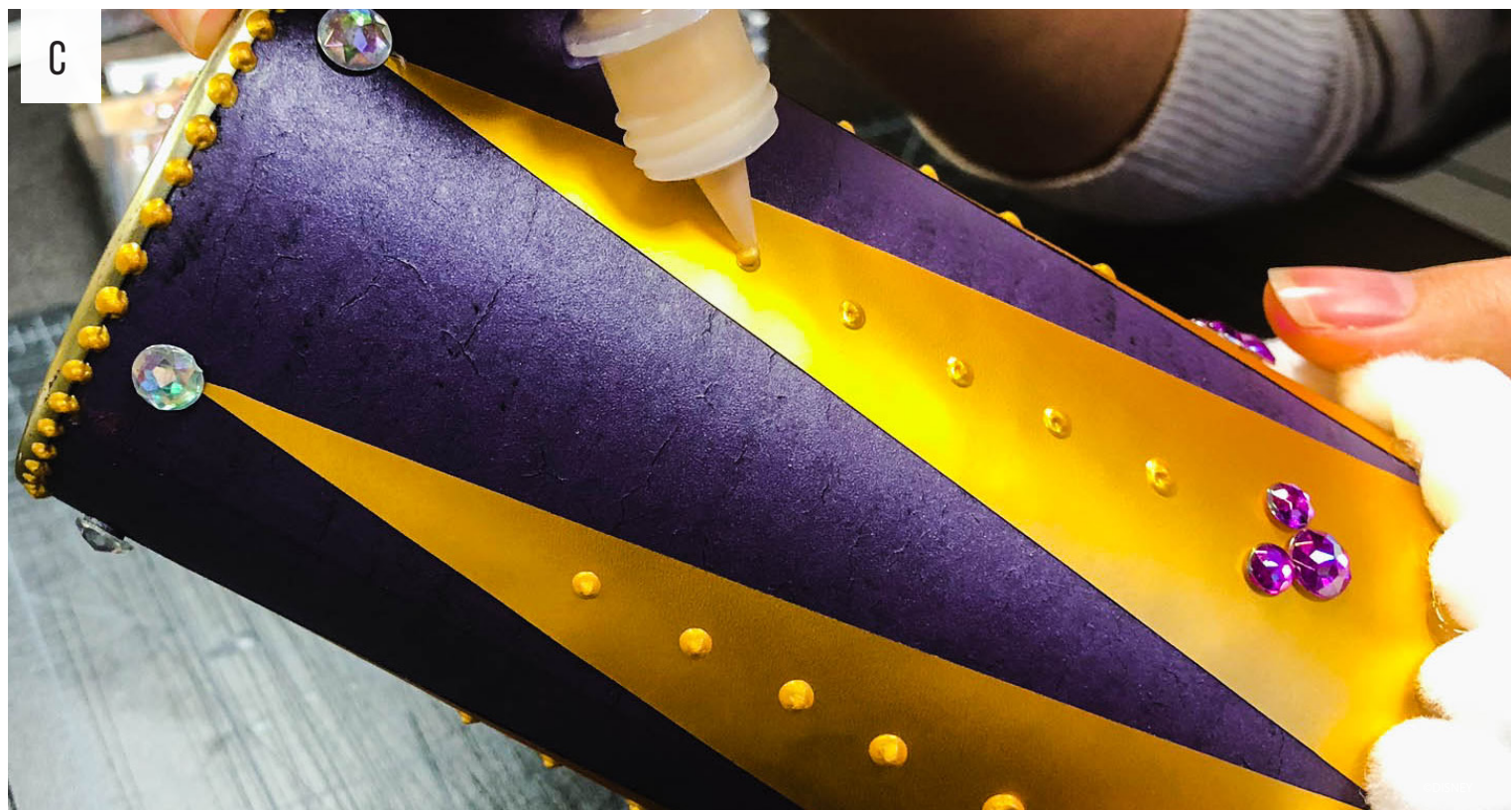
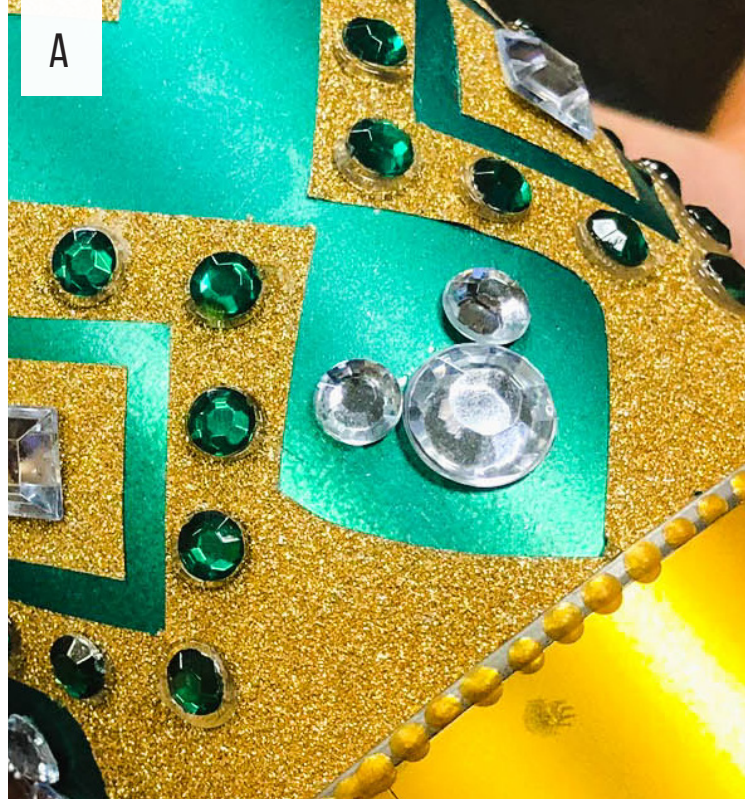


## STEP 7: ADD THE JEWELS & DETAILS

**A.** Create jewel Mickeys' for the negative spaces between the spires of your crown.

**B.** Use square jewels for additional flair inside the points of your crown.

**C.** Use the fabric puff paint to add dots, patterns, and details to your crown.





## STEP 8: FILL THE CROWNS

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Once you're satisfied with the look of your crowns, fill the three with these fillings for different sounds:

- 1 cup uncooked rice
- 1 cup chia seeds
- 1 cup dried beans
- 1 cup small bells

You may also use anything else you may have: beads, lentils, dried chickpeas, small pebbles, corn kernels, dry pasta, etc.

Seal the top of the container with super glue.

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## FINAL TIPS:

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Create your own designs using additional supplies like beads, bells, felt, crayons, markers, and other materials you may already have.

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