

This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. I hope to get everyone in the fall holiday spirit with a big decoration for your house. You can make a boo-tiful ghost, a big, round pumpkin, or a very friendly spider. It is also an opportunity to make up stories about the holiday, pumpkins or silly spiders. Put on a puppet show or walk around the house with your spider or ghost on a string. You could even take them outside for a walk. The neighbors will really wonder!



1-Start with a brown paper bag from the store and a wire hanger. Bend the hanger on the ends until it is a little rounded and fits inside the bag. Put a hole in the bottom of the bag and thread the hanger through the hole.

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2- Color 4- 6 sheets of paper for the spider or the pumpkin, trying different techniques like rolling the crayon over the paper. For the ghost you can just cut out shapes. Glue or tape these to one side of the bag leaving some of the paper hanging over the edges. Make some different faces by coloring or cutting circles, triangles, or squares from paper or foil. Color a toilet paper roll to cover the hanger at the top.

3- Lay the bag on a table and stuff it with older magazines, newspapers, or even recycled paper. Staple it shut. Okay, no paper ball fights! This is serious, spooky, silly fun!

Be well and beware of the great pumpkin!

Ms. Susan