

Making and Decorating Colourful Paper Twirlers



#### MATERIALS

- White poster board\*
- Crayons (we used <u>these crayon sticks</u>)
- Watercolor paint
- Scissors
- Brush
- Hole punch
- Yarn or string

\*I cut a couple of circles each out of large pieces of white poster board, but you could do this on a smaller scale if you like with paper plates, watercolor paper, or card stock.

## STEP 1: Cut your circles out of your poster board.

You can trace a large mixing bowl for a perfect circle or just wing it. Winging it is my middle name, so that's what I did.



### Step 2: Draw your spiral...

...starting from one point on the perimeter of the circle (but don't cut it yet).

**Make the spiral relatively thick.** We had two with an endless thin spiral and they didn't hold their magic twirly powers quite as well and dragged all the way to the floor besides (although that was easily remedied by trimming off the bottom)



# **Step 3: Now decorate your spiral with <u>crayon drawings</u>.** Any designs. Lots of color. You could stick to seasonal colors if you like or decorate the spiral like a snake, but we just went for lots of color and design.



#### **Step 4: Paint with Watercolors**

Paint over the crayon drawings with <u>watercolor paint</u>. Let dry. Turn the circle over and **paint the reverse, too**, as you'll see both sides as it spirals through the air. Let dry. Step 5. Cut along the spiral line.



Step 6. Punch a hole in the center and tie a string there for hanging.





Step 7. Hang your new colour paper twirlers!