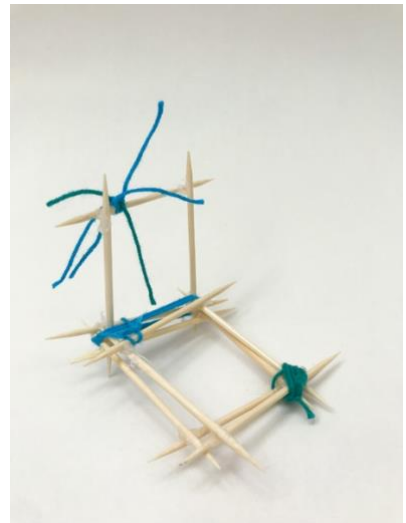


## BUILD IT: BIG & SMALL

### Create sculptures from things around your home!

Did you know you can use simple, everyday items to design and build all kinds of fantastic things? Experiment using newspaper, toothpicks and popsicle sticks to see what you can create! Can your sculpture touch the ceiling? Can you climb inside? Or can you make something so tiny it fits in the palm of your hand? Let's make art inspired by local Toronto artist Kai Chan and build things that are both big and small!



## BUILDING MATERIALS

BIG:

- Newspaper: lots!
- Tape
- Stapler (this isn't essential but great to have)
- Extra items: construction paper, coloured tissue paper, string

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SMALL:

- Popsicle sticks, toothpicks and/or wooden skewers
- Tape
- White glue or a glue gun (Ask an adult for help! Younger children can even use playdough or plasticine to fasten pieces together)
- Extra items: paint, markers, string



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## INSTRUCTIONS (FOR CREATING YOUR BIG!)

- Using one sheet of newspaper, start to roll diagonally from one corner to the opposite corner. When you reach the end of the paper, secure with tape (so it doesn't unravel). TIP: the tighter your roll, the stronger your structure will be! Newspaper can also be rolled straight across to create shorter tubes.
- Repeat rolling until you have lots of long and short newspaper tubes.
- Start building! Using a stapler or tape, attach newspaper tubes to each other. TIP: start by building simple shapes (square, triangle) then attach corners together to create 3-D forms.
- Get creative! Gently bend or twist paper tubes to create curves or circles. Experiment with different ways to create fun shapes and forms to attach to your sculpture.
- Decorate! Add colour using paint or markers, or attach pieces of coloured tissue paper. Add texture by wrapping around yarn or string.



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## INSTRUCTIONS (FOR CREATING YOUR small!)

- Using popsicle sticks and toothpicks (be careful with sharp points!) create simple shapes (squares, triangles). Use tape or glue to secure the wooden pieces together.
- Keep building and then start attaching your shapes together! Experiment! Use your imagination!
- Decorate! Add colour using paint, markers or coloured paper. Tie on pieces of string or ribbon.



## WHAT'S NEXT?

- Think about how to display your sculpture: does it sit on a table or can it hang and move in the air?
- Inside vs. outside: can you create something to go inside of your sculpture?
- Can you make the letters of your name?
- Take inspiration from things around you — can you make a hat? A cat? Or a spaceship for your hat-wearing cat?

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