

**LEARN** to generate ideas and think creatively using recycled materials around the house and masking tape to create a sculpture.

**GATHER** your art supplies:

Needed supplies

- Scrap paper
- Masking tape
- Twisteez wire
- Scrap cardboard or foam plates
- Scissors

Optional fun supplies

- Hot glue gun with glue
- Paint and paint brushes
- Googly eyes
- Glitter
- Feathers
- Other assorted craft items

**CREATE** your own Masking Tape Sculpture! Follow along with the video tutorial at [tennesseecraft.org/kids](http://tennesseecraft.org/kids).

**Step 1:** Crumple up paper to create the desired shape for the base of your sculpture.

**Step 2:** Tear masking tape into 1" to 2" pieces. You will need A LOT of these.

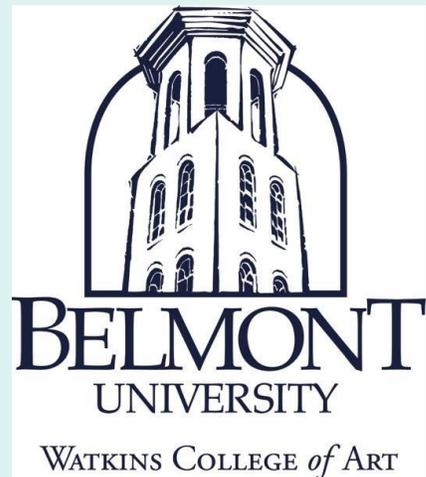
**Step 3:** Cover your crumpled paper with the tape so the paper will hold its shape. You need to completely cover the paper so that your base shape of your sculpture holds its structure. This also helps with painting and decorating later.

**Step 4:** Add any embellishments that you want with wire, bottle caps, scrap cardboard, or other household items that might help your sculpture come to life. Use tape or hot glue to adhere your embellishments in place.

**Step 5:** Cover any embellishments that you added with tape completely.

**Step 6:** Paint and decorate your sculpture to enhance the overall look. This is where you can add googly eyes, feathers, glitter, or other exciting media to give your sculpture character!

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Masking tape sculptures are a fun way to introduce young artists to 3 dimensional projects! Watkins Community Education teaches this project at our summer camp each year to help students learn to generate and follow through on ideas. Since this project is so versatile, we encourage campers to come up with ideas based on broad themes like animals, outer space, or food. This is a great opportunity for young artists to describe what they want to create and use their imagination to plan their sculpture using recycled materials and tape.

