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Let's Make a Nicho!



About

Nichos, also known as *retablos*, are a type of folk art popular throughout Latin America. They are often devotional, but also quirky and include images of pop culture figures. Resembling miniature dioramas, nichos are made from common household objects and craft materials. They are usually painted with striking colors, often contrasting bright and dark, and tend towards garish. Within the box, there is a central figure or object for whose honor the nicho has been created. **Who will you honor?**

Materials

Kits should include:

- Jewelry Box
- Decorative <u>foils</u> and <u>rhinestones</u>
- <u>Cardstock sheet</u> with add-on nicho elements (page 3)

Participants will provide:

- Scissors
- Glue or Tape
- Image of a figure they'd like to honor
- Additional craft materials of their choosing

Instructions

- 1. Select and cut out template of *nicho* frame from the included cardstock sheet
- 2. Decorate *nicho* frame using included foil, rhinestones or materials of your choosing
- 3. Place a photo or drawing of a figure you'd like to honor inside the jewelry box
- 4. Fold and adhere *nicho* frame to the top of the jewelry box using tape or glue
- 5. Continue decorating *nicho* to your heart's content

Examples











