Chanukah Foil Art Activity



We wait all year for the festival of lights - which glimmer against the foil many of us lay down underneath to catch the dripping wax... Now you can make your own Chanukiah placemat!

This project is developmentally appropriate for people of all ages and stages of life. The supplies are as simple and the process is as easy as can be! All you need is time and patience and the desire to have a good time!

## **Supplies:**

- Aluminum Foil, preferably heavy duty
- Sharpie markers
- Stencils of Chanukah shapes (you can draw the symbols on tag board and cut them out for children to trace)
- Paper/cardboard/backing boards to glue Aluminum Foil onto
- Glue to adhere the foil art to the backing paper/board
- Black mats to frame your work (optional)
- 11x14 picture frame (optional)
- Masking tape to tape down your foil (younger students only/see below for details)

## **Steps to creating your awesome Chanukah Foil Art:**

- 1) Roll out your tin foil and tape to the paper
- 2) Draw or trace your Chanukah shapes directly onto the aluminum foil, being extremely careful not to rip the foil. Use the side of your sharpie marker instead of the tip so you do not break through the foil.
- 3) If your student does rip the foil, emphasize that THERE ARE NO MISTAKES IN ART and HOW UNIQUE THEIR DRAWING WILL BE. Tell them it adds character! If the artist wants, they can fill in the paper underneath with the same color and they will blend together.



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- 4) For a more advanced technique (not recommended for younger children), Do NOT tape your foil to your background paper. Instead just lay it flat on the table and hold it down as you work GENTLY!
- 5) When finished with your drawing/coloring, GENTLY wrinkle up the aluminum foil into a large ball. BUT DO NOT CRINKLE TOO TIGHTLY or it will be too challenging to unwrinkle your art work!
- 6) Then GENTLY unwrinkle the ball, separating the foil and being careful not to rip it!
- 7) Once finished, CAREFULLY flatten out the aluminum foil to reveal your super cool art!
- 8) You can buy black mats to frame your artwork (as in the image below) and then place your image in an 11x14 frame, or you can buy the mat complete set which will allow you to either use the white backing board for this project or another one!
- 9) Once completed, you can place your beautiful artwork directly into a frame (with or without the black mat) for all your guests to enjoy!

## Send us images of your beautiful artwork to Stefie@IsraelForever.org





