

## Magical Movable Paper

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Fold! Flex! Spin! We'll make a small collection of movable paper devices in this workshop, all ready for your creative content. These include a flexagon, a magic wallet, and a spinner (also known as a thaumatrope). These devices are simple to make, but seem complex when activated. Our focus will be on making basic models with commonly available materials that can later be adapted for use with more sophisticated papers and personalized messages. All of these structures are flat and thus easily sent through the mail. Paper will need to be cut to size prior to the workshop, and instructions on how to do this will be sent to participants prior to the workshop.

### Tools & Supplies:

- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Ruler
- X-acto knife and cutting mat
- Awl or piercing tool
- Scrap paper for gluing
- Pencil, eraser
- Drawing tools, colored pencils, markers
- 4 sheets of 8.5 x 11 cardstock or cover weight paper (65 or 80 lb), white
- 2 sheets of 8.5 x 11 cardstock or cover weight paper (65 or 80 lb), any color (optional)
- 2 pieces of 5x7 inch mat board, thin binder's board, or very heavy watercolor paper
- 3 sheets of 8.5 x 11 textweight paper (like a thicker copy paper, but copy paper can work) any color
- 3 sheets of 8.5 x 11 textweight paper of a second color (optional)
- String or heavy thread, 12-15"
- 2 thin 2.5" long rubber bands (optional)