

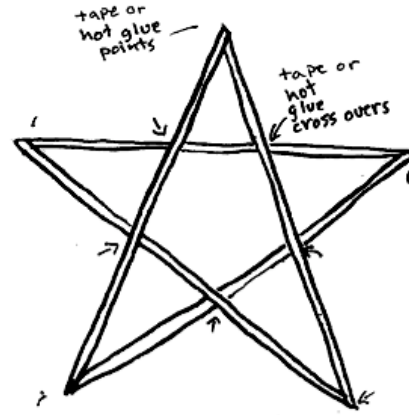
# STAR LANTERN

The first lantern workshop ever taught, in Banff, 1989, was based on faxed instructions from Welfare State International, a performance art company in England.

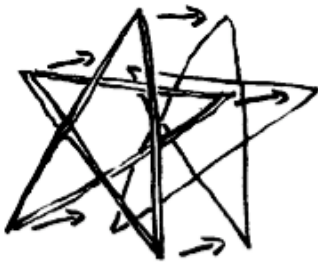
Since then hundreds of artists and workshop participants have contributed to the development of various techniques and methods.

The prototype for this style of Star Lantern was created by Dorrie Williams, at PUBLIC DEAM'S Illuminares, Vancouver, 1990.

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LAY OUT five pieces until you have the shape you want. Glue points and cross-over pieces.

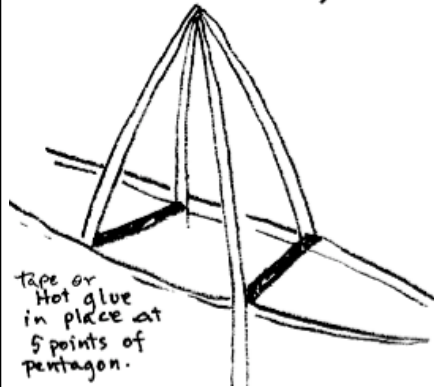


LAY OUT the second star over top of the first, so they will be exactly the same shape.

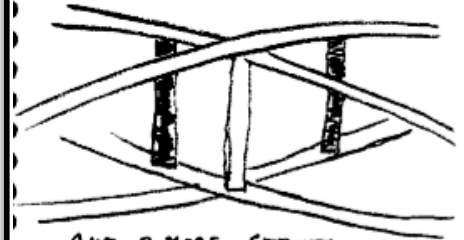


ATTACH at outer points with tape or hot glue.

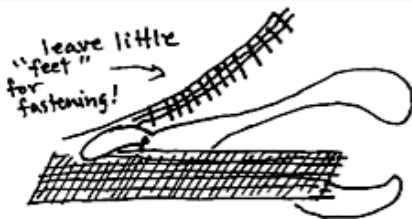
CUT "STRUTS" x 5  
APPROX. 3 3/4"



tape or Hot glue in place at 5 points of pentagon.



CUT 2 MORE STRUTS for candle holder  
Tape or Glue in place.

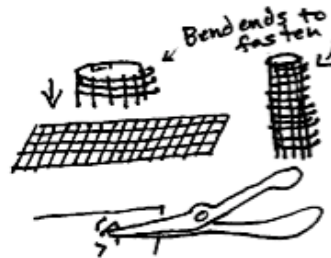


leave little "feet" for fastening!

CUT narrow strip of WELDED WIRE MESH to wrap around candle and a wider strip for the base.

USE Tin Snips, or old pruning shears that you will never use for pruning again.

wear gloves!

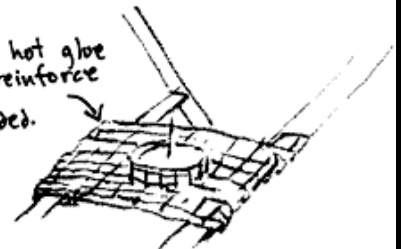


Wrap strip around candle, with just enough room to easily slip candle in and out. Bend "little feet" to fasten.

PUSH finished candle holder through mesh of BASE, bend "little feet" with pliers to fasten securely



add hot glue to reinforce if needed.

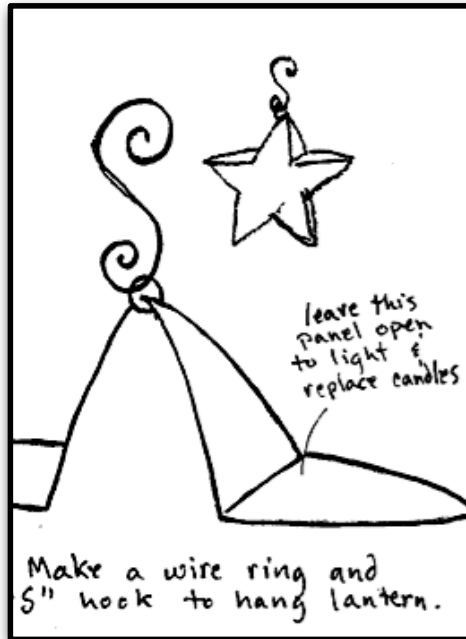


Attach candle holder to struts by bending ends around bamboo and press with pliers.

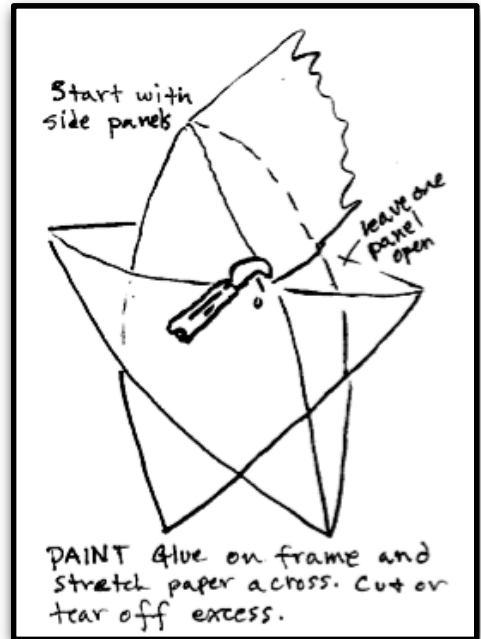
\*THE SAFETY of your LANTERN depends on the SECURITY of your candle holder.



~ A NOTE ON GLUE ~  
 ADD WATER ONE DROP AT A TIME, and mix.  
 GLUE should be the consistency of heavy cream, just thin enough that it doesn't "drag" paper during application.  
 Never glue in a frigid room or cool wind.



Make a wire ring and 5" hook to hang lantern.

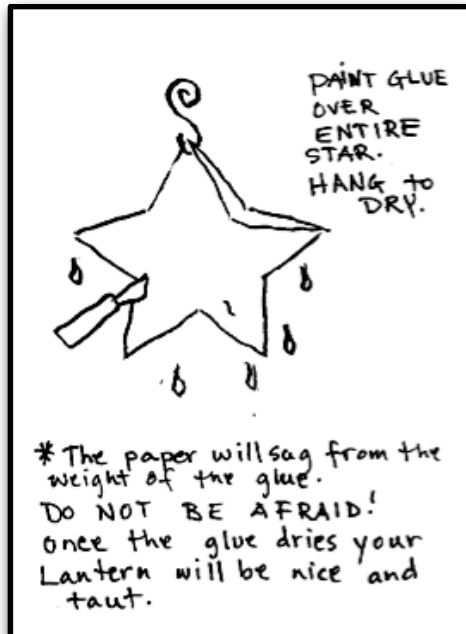


PAINT glue on frame and stretch paper across. Cut or tear off excess.



PAINT GLUE ON FRAME

CUT or TEAR OFF EXCESS.



PAINT GLUE OVER ENTIRE STAR. HANG TO DRY.

\*The paper will sag from the weight of the glue. DO NOT BE AFRAID! once the glue dries your Lantern will be nice and taut.

Your lantern is a vessel to contain light. The lighter the colour of tissue paper, the more light is radiated.  
 These lanterns can survive light rain fall - simply hang them in a dry place to recover.  
 Repairs are simple: paint glue over torn or punctured area, lay suitable piece of tissue across, and paint over with glue.

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 NEVER USE A CANDLE LIT LANTERN INDOORS.

