Make A Paper Chain!

The Laurel Museum is temporarily closed due to the pandemic, but you can still keep in touch by making crafts inspired by children's activities of the past!

Making a chain out of folded paper is a fun and easy decoration to craft. You can tape several chains together to make a longer garland perfect for different holiday celebrations all year! You can make people or any other shape!

It's easy to make a paper chain. Here's what you'll need:

- Paper—craft, construction, or anything you have available
- Glue or tape (optional)
- Markers, crayons, colored pencils
- Scissors
- 1. Fold your paper accordion-style (back and forth so there are folded edges on both sides). However many folds will be the number of people or shapes in your finished chain.
- 2. Draw your person or shape on the top fold of paper, making sure that the hands or edges of the design extend to the folds on each side of the paper.
- 3. Carefully cut out the shape, making sure that you do not cut the folds where the design touches the edges on both sides.
- 4. Open the paper and you will see a chain of people or shapes. Color them as you like and glue or tape several chains together.





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