



The Mini Time Machine  
*museum of miniatures*

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## MONTHLY PROJECTS FOR MAKERS

### SEPTEMBER 2023—MINI BIRTHDAY CAKE

#### Materials:

- Foam or wooden disks (1/2" - 2")
- Small ball of clay
- Tiny wood dowel
- Toothpick
- ‘Happy Birthday’ sign
- Tacky glue
- Paint (optional)
- Markers (optional)
- Small piece of orange/yellow paper



#### Instructions:

**Step 1:** Begin stacking the large disks - add glue to the top of the stack, then glue the medium disks on top. Add glue to the top of the medium stack and glue the small disks on top. (The kits include differed colored disks, stack them in any order!)





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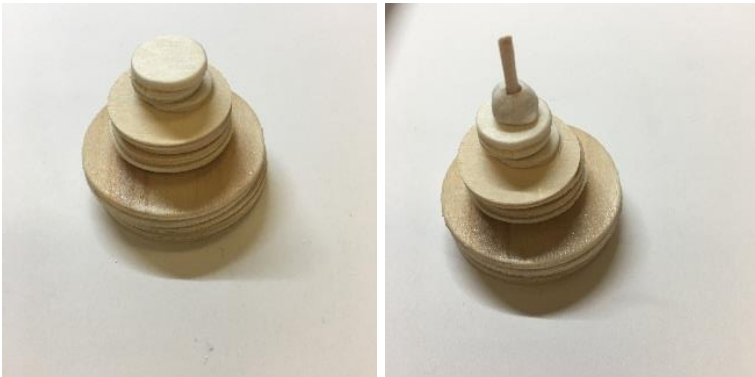
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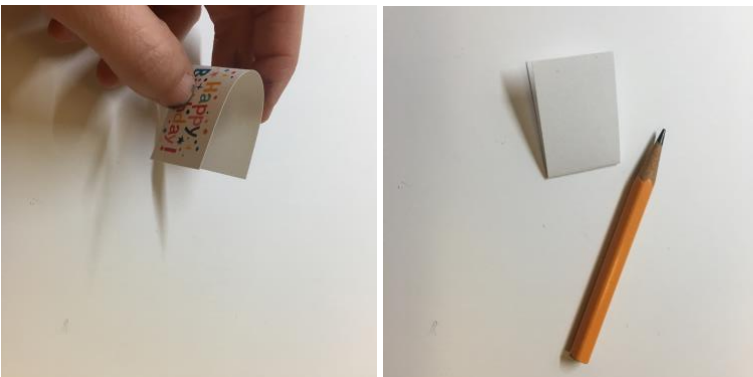
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**Step 2:** Shape the small piece of clay to form the top layer of your cake. Glue to the top wood disc. Stick the small wood dowel into the clay to form the candle. *You may need to re-shape your clay a bit after sticking the candle inside.*

- a. Set aside for the glue to dry.



**Step 3:** Fold the 'happy birthday' paper in half. On the back of the paper, draw a picture or write a message to someone. *Leave the inside blank because it will be glued.*





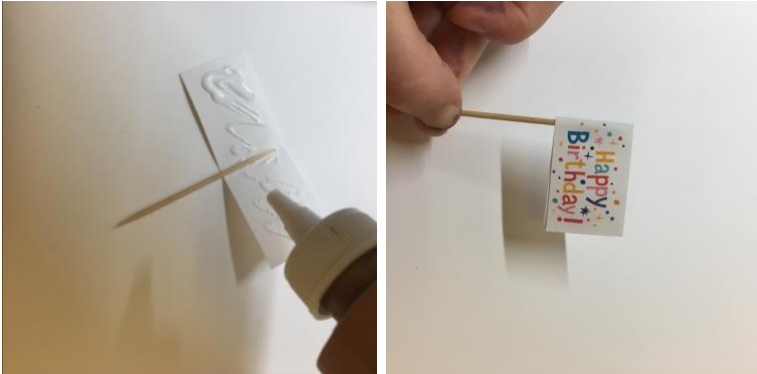
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**Step 4:** Unfold the sign and add glue to the paper. Place the toothpick inside.



**Step 5:** Re-fold the sign so the two sides are stuck together with the toothpick inside.

**Step 6:** Set aside to dry.

#### Decorate your cake:

**Step 7:** (optional) Using markers, draw “sprinkles” on a few layers of your cake, leaving some layers plain.

**Step 8:** (optional) Using white paint, lightly paint the remaining layers of the cake, carefully to not get paint on the ‘sprinkle’ layers. Paint the exposed cake top on each level.

**Step 9:** If you want your candle “lit”, cut a small piece of yellow or orange paper and glue it to the top of the candle to make the flame.





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\*Set aside to dry for a few minutes.



**Enjoy your birthday cake! This September, The Mini Time Machine Museum of Miniatures is celebrating our 14<sup>th</sup> birthday!**

**Optional:** Want to make a cake stand for your cake? Look around your house for old pieces of jewelry or beads. Glue a bead to the bottom of something flat (a piece of plastic or cardboard) and paint everything the color of your choice. Now you have a cake stand!

