



### Do you want to express yourself, be creative or make an impression? Creative arts is for you!

- Practice self-expression and creativity.
- Learn to follow plans and written instructions.
- Demonstrate puppetry and stagecraft skills.
- Learn to make articles from clay and plaster for decorative or practical purposes.
- Learn about glues and their properties, selecting a glue and glue safety.
- Learn to work with leather stamping and carving tools and a swivel knife, and to finish leather and punch holes for lacing.
- Discover the history of clowning.
- Learn about different mediums used in visual arts.
- Learn about wood and techniques for working with wood as an art form.
- Preserve your memories with creative scrapbooks.



**Pass it on!**  
Now that you know how, share it with others. Here are ideas to get you started.

#### Citizenship

- Try out for a part in a local community theater production.
- Construct props for a school play.
- Present puppet shows at a day-care facility.
- Offer to teach a class on a creative art project for your local community education or parks and recreation program.

#### Communication

- Present a demonstration to your 4-H club on creating an art project.
- Direct a school play.

#### Leadership

- Write a short play for your 4-H club to perform.
- Direct a school play.
- Offer to teach a class on a creative art project for your local community education or parks and recreation program.

#### Entrepreneurship

- Sell your creative arts items at a craft show.
- Start a business teaching classes on a creative art project.

## Here's what you can do all year!

Starting Out Basic/Level 1	Learning More Intermediate/Level 2	Expanding Horizons Advanced/Level 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn the basic principles of each creative arts category.</li> <li>• Learn about puppets used around the world.</li> <li>• Make/create your own puppet.</li> <li>• Use clothing to create a character.</li> <li>• Practice communicating with gestures.</li> <li>• Add voice to a character.</li> <li>• Learn scrapbook terminology.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn to make props for a play.</li> <li>• Learn design techniques for scrapbook pages.</li> <li>• Learn about the subject matter that a plastic model represents.</li> <li>• Make a fresh floral corsage.</li> <li>• Explore art techniques, art history and culture, and the science behind the art.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn about stage lighting.</li> <li>• Write a play, then assemble a cast and direct and present the play at a community event.</li> <li>• Learn to mime and perform for your club.</li> <li>• Create a scrapbook for your 4-H club.</li> <li>• Learn how to use alternative flower materials.</li> <li>• Develop your own clown character complete with makeup and costume.</li> </ul>



## Communications and Creative Arts

# 4-H Creative Arts

## North Dakota 4-H Project Sheet

### Here are other opportunities to explore creative arts:

- Write a short story or collection of poems. Make copies for your family and friends.
- Organize making posters for display during National 4-H Week.
- Record a radio ad or volunteer to be interviewed on a local radio station.
- Make an audio file of sound effects to use with a play.
- Create and perform a puppet show for your 4-H club or local library.
- Try out for a role in a school play or community theater production.
- Create an improvisational comedy club/group.
- Interested in a college education in the area of creative arts? Schedule a visit with North Dakota State University, [www.ndsu.edu](http://www.ndsu.edu).



### Exhibit Ideas

- Construct a puppet theater and puppets.
- Write a short story (or a novel).
- Write and exhibit a collection of poems.
- Make an exhibit showing makeup techniques for clowns.
- Create a scrapbook of a family trip or school activity.
- Build a plastic model.
- Create a flower arrangement.
- Create a clay or plaster item.
- Create a drawing or painting item.
- Create an item from the Glue Solution category.
- Create a leathercraft item.
- Create an item from the Wood Arts category.

### 4-H Resources

- [National 4-H Theatre Arts Curriculum](#)
  - [Theatre Arts - Beginner \(BBC211\)](#)
  - [Theatre Arts - Intermediate \(BBC212\)](#)
  - [Theatre Arts - Advanced \(BBC213\)](#)
  - [Theatre Arts Journal \(BBC144\)](#)
- [National 4-H Visual Arts Curriculum](#)
  - [Sketchbook Crossroads \(BC111\)](#)
  - [Portfolio Pathways \(BC112\)](#)
  - [Getting Started in Art \(BC110\)](#)
- Online Publications
  - [Building Plastic Models from a Kit \(FE101\)](#)
  - [Scrapbooking \(FG108\)](#)
  - [4-H Cake Decorating \(BCA151\)](#)

### 4-H Resources

- [Jewellery Making \(BCA171\)](#)
- Publications available at your local Extension office:
  - Arranging Flowers (CD122)
  - Working with Clay and Plaster (BCA121)
  - Drawing and Painting (BCB170)
  - Glue Solution (BCA140)
  - Introduction to Leathercraft (BCA130)
  - Beginning Leather Carving (BCA131)
  - Wood Arts (BCA125)
  - [4-H Filmmaking Studio DVD \(BCD184\)](#)

### Recordkeeping

- [Planning for My Project Adventure \(PA093\)](#)
- [ND 4-H Project Plan \(PA095\)](#)
- [ND 4-H Plan of Action \(PA096\)](#)
- [ND 4-H Participation Summary for 11- to 19-year-olds \(PA098\)](#)

### Other Resources

- [Flower Arranging Resources](#)
- [Plastic Models Tips](#)
- [Glue Solution Ideas](#)
- [Scrapbooking Ideas](#)
- [Leathercraft Patterns](#)
- [Wood Art Patterns](#)

Learn more at [www.ndsu.edu/4h/](http://www.ndsu.edu/4h/) or contact your county NDSU Extension office.