

# Starched String Sculpture

You may have used string as a flexible fiber in art before, but have you ever used it for sculpture? Soaking yarn or twine in starch and allowing it to dry makes it hold its shape, so you can do all kinds of things with it!

## Materials:

- Yarn, string, or twine scraps (soft absorbent string soaks up starch best)
- A bottle of liquid stiffener available at a crafts store or flour and water paste (just mix common baking flour with water until it is thick and creamy, but don't eat it, use it for paste starch instead!)
- Colored tissue paper or cellophane (optional)
- Waxed paper
- An inflated balloon (optional)

## Tools:

- Polystyrene or aluminum tray or old dish for the paste
- Scissors
- White glue (optional)

## Instructions:

- 1** Pour liquid stiffener or flour paste into tray.
- 2** Soak about 2 feet of string or more in the starch or stiffener.

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