

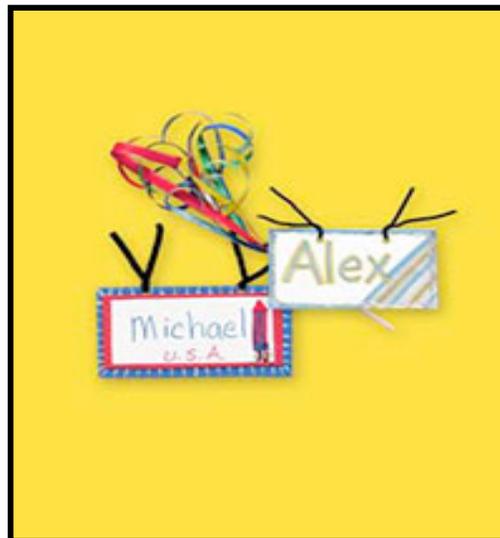
# Celebrate Youth Arts Month: Bike Streamers & Plates!

## Welcome to Youth Arts Month Lesson 27!

Give your bike a personal touch. With these decorations, your handlebars & seat will stand out whenever you ride!

### Supplies:

- \* fine line markers
- \* erasable colored pencils
- \* gel markers
- \* non-toxic school glue
- \* glitter glue
- \* pointed tip scissors
- \* construction paper
- \* cardboard
- \* clear adhesive tape
- \* chenille sticks
- \* plastic drinking straws



### Directions:

**Name Plate** - Come up with a clever name plate for your bike. Use a combination of letters, numbers and maybe a code name or nickname.

1. On construction paper, draw a rectangle with erasable colored pencils about as wide as your bike seat. Design your name plate with fine line markers. Color it using gel markers. Add sparkles with glitter glue. Dry.
2. Cut out your name plate with scissors. Trace around it on cardboard. Cut it out. Glue the paper plate onto the cardboard with non-toxic school glue. Dry.
3. With a hole punch, make two holes in the plate. Run a chenille stick through them. Attach to your bike.

**More!**

## Handlebar Decorations:

1. Use washable markers to create stripes of bright colors. Color across both sides of construction paper. Cut the paper in strips. Bunch the tips of several strips together. Hold in place with clear adhesive tape. Make two bunches.
2. Cut a drinking straw in half. Push the bunched ends of a strip into one end of each straw. Fasten with tape. Insert the empty straw ends into your bicycle's handlebars. Keep your bike indoors in wet weather to protect your decorations! And most important of all, ride safely with a helmet!



## Safety Guidelines:

1. Safety guidelines recommend this art project as suitable for children ages 6 years and older. Adult supervision is required to ensure children's safety.
2. ATTENTION: The cutting edges of scissors are sharp and care should be taken whenever cutting or handling.
3. Glitter glue: WARNING: CHOKING HAZARD -- Small parts. Not intended for children younger than 3 years of age. Not intended for use as face/skin paint.



## Interesting Info:

Did you know that in China, bicycles outnumber cars 250 to 1?



## Art Thought for the Day:

To love what you do and feel that it matters – how could anything be more fun?  
Katherine Graham ~ publisher

