



ASTRONOMY @ HOME

CREATE A TOOLED SUN

MATERIALS & STEPS

- Aluminum foil
- Unsharpened pencil or other stylus
- Mouse pad or similar spongy surface
- Scissors

Imagine the sun design that you want to draw. Do you want to have a circle with rays attached? Or do you imagine the rays in different shapes like triangles? Do you want the center of your sun to have a design or maybe even look like it's wearing sunglasses?

You will be drawing your design backward. Place the aluminum foil dull-side up on the mouse pad. Gently press on the foil to draw your design with the unsharpened pencil. Try not to break through the foil. When you are done drawing, flip your foil over, and cut out your design.

Share your creation with us using #AtTheMuseums

THINGS TO TALK ABOUT

The sun is a part of thousands of different myths from around the world. Have you ever read a story about the sun? Could you write and illustrate your own story about the sun, including the science you know, plus some elements of fantasy?

THE SUN IN ART

Does the sun look the same every day? How does it change? You can look at different ways artists used the sun in their paintings at **SpringfieldMuseums.org/collections**.



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