## **TOILET PAPER/PAPER TOWEL TUBE CHRISTMAS TREES**



**AGE RANGE:** All ages

**TIME NEEDED:** Under 30 minutes

## **MATERIALS YOU'LL NEED:**

- empty toilet paper rolls and/or paper towel rolls
- marker or pencil for sketching tree shapes
- craft paint or markers
- scissors
- hole punch
- decorations (optional)

## **STEPS:**

- 1. Take your cardboard rolls and flatten them a little. Note: You can use various toilet paper and paper towel rolls to get different sizes with the trees.
- 2. Draw your tree shape on the cardboard however you want it to look. Make sure to leave a bottom for your tree about 1-2 centimeters in height.
- 3. Start cutting around your lines but be sure to have the roll still connected on the "tips" of the branches. Once your shape is cut out, "fluff" out your tree a little so the bottom part is rounded again and is able to stand up. You may need to fold it the opposite way it was folded before to bring it back to shape.
- 4. Using your favorite paint colors or markers start painting your trees be as creative as you like! Note: Choose 3-4 of colors for your palette, mix them to make different shades, make patterns, or use the cardboard color itself for a neutral look.
- 5. When dry, use the hole punch to make a hole towards the top of the tree to attach string or ribbon for hanging.