

Space is still available for BOTH  
Family Balloon Workshops **and** Adult Lantern Workshop



**Family Balloon Workshop Dates: August 17 & 18**

**Adult Lantern Workshop Dates: August 19 & 21**

*(2 evenings from 7pm - 9pm)*

Further information on both workshops

<https://artsea.ca/calendar/artsea-salish-sea-lantern-festival/>

OR

## **BUILD YOUR OWN BALLOON LANTERN**

If you can't make it to a workshop, why don't you make this easy and beautiful paper mache balloon lantern at home. They work great as party decorations, house decorations or outdoor lanterns for the summer time. Show off your balloon lantern and carry it in the lantern procession at the

**Salish Sea Lantern Festival**

**August 24th, 2019**

**Festivities start at 7:30pm and lantern procession starts at 8:30 pm**



### **Materials:**

*(all inexpensive supplies found at the dollar store)*

tissue paper in desired colors  
balloon  
white school glue  
ribbon for hanging  
bamboo pole  
LED tea light  
small paint brush  
yogurt container ½ filled with sand

### **Instructions:**

Tear the tissue paper into strips (about 1 inch wide)

Blow up your balloon to the size you would like your lantern to be. Place the balloon on the yogurt container and hold it in place with tape.

Mix glue and water, 2 parts glue to one-part water, it should be a milky consistency. Using your brush, put the glue on your balloon and immediately cover the glue area with the strips of tissue paper. Cover the balloon with at least 2 layers of white tissue. The final layers are the decorative/colourful layers.

Using the coloured tissue paper, begin to build your design over the balloon using glue for each strip of tissue paper. BUT, remember you are working upside down, so whatever your design is, envision it right side up.



### **Let dry overnight!**

Once tissue is completely dried, pop the balloon and cut the jagged edge off. When you pop the balloon, it will deflate, not explode. Take out the balloon pieces and dispose of them immediately.

Punch two holes in either side of the balloon lantern.

Make a hanger with wire or ribbon and attach to a bamboo pole.

Place an LED tea light in the bottom of the lantern. You are ready for the festival!