

Sculpting 2

Can You Make a Box

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Day Two: Creation

Objective/Learning Target:

Students will use a recycled aluminum can to create a trinket box.
Students will create visual and tactile texture using metal embossing techniques.

Requirements: Aluminum soda can, Scissors, tape, flat piece of cardboard to work on, ruler, can opener and sandpaper, permanent markers, steel wool, stencils, Embossing tools: a pointed object like a pen, screw driver, nail, etc.

Bellringer: Watch these tutorials on how to create your metal embossed trinket box.

[How to Make an Embossed Metal Box Step By Step](#)

[Demo using stencils](#)

[FREE Box Template](#)

Instructions: Today you will be transforming an aluminum drink can into a beautiful embossed box.

1. Create a template based off of your sketch.
2. Tape your flattened aluminum sheet (silver side up) to a piece of cardboard. Tape your stencil on top of the sheet.
3. Use an embossing tool to add decorative pattern on the metal. Press hard enough to crease the material, but not hard enough to puncture.
4. Cut to shape with the scissors and then folded into the box shape.
5. Flip the metal over and re-traced the original design once more to get a much clearer, bolder embossed design.
Optional: use various sharpies to color the metal.



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