## **Creating a Slab Scarecrow Head**

In your box you have a small rolling pin, needle tool, 1 ball of clay, bag of pasta for making shapes, and bubble wrap.

- 1. Take out your clay and tools and follow along with images on website. www.mightymud.com/scarecrow
- 2. Start with rolling out your clay as smooth as possible, between 1/2" and 1/4". You can use the roller provided, a rolling pin from home, a piece of pipe, a can, etc... If it's very sticky you can use corn starch or baby powder so it doesn't stick to the roller.
- 3. Using a piece of paper as your guide. Cut out a rectangular shape. Remove excess clay and place to the side for future use.
- 4. Using the piece of paper as your guide make lines down your slab using your needle tool. Do not cut all the way through.
- 5. Take the excess clay and roll into a ball if not long enough to make the brim of the hat. Use the piece of paper as your guide.
- 6. To attach the rim of the hat you need to scratch both surfaces then add a small amount of water with your fingers to both sides and then press them down together. For the clay hanging off the slab use folded paper to keep it level. See image online.
- 7. Using excess clay this is your time to be creative in how you want your scarecrow to look. Just remember everything you add to it must be scratched and attached.
- 8. Use the pasta pieces to make flowers, butterflies, circles and wavy lines. You can just use it directly on the clay without cutting them out also.
- 9. More examples of texture and openings

10. Once you've finished, carefully wrap it in the bubble wrap. Then put it back in the box that it came in, you may put some newspaper or plastic bags around it so it won't move around. Before returning it to Mighty Mud, make sure you write your name, phone number, and color choice on the front of the box.

If you've chosen "No Color" you can paint it at home using acrylics, watercolors, or spray paint.

We will fire your clay in a bisque kiln, glaze it and place it in another kiln, and give you a call when your project is ready for pick-up!

Pick-up and drop-off hours: Tuesday - Friday 11am-6pm, Saturday 9am-5pm

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## 11. Have Fun!!!

Links: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CYPSpNizsU0 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwxTxoWz4-M