

# Holiday decorations made from foil containers

COLUMBUS, Ohio - If one is looking for something new in holiday decorations, this is for them. The idea comes from India, but the look is American - and the making is easy as pie! In fact, these decorations are made from foil pie plates, or any other throw-away foil containers one might happen to have around.

The inspiration is an Indian folk craft called "rangoli" - little tin boxes punched with patterns of holes. For special holidays, villagers decorate the

ground with designs they make by sifting colored sand through the rangoli. The patterns of the holes - flowers, scrolls, and such - act as stencils to produce the designs on the ground.

Now, American designer Constance Spates has borrowed the idea and - substituting spray paint for sand - come up with an endless source of decorations for tree, table, and much more!

She starts with clean discarded foil containers. They're thin enough to cut with scissors, yet firm. From them, she cuts simple shapes - a bird, a bell, a

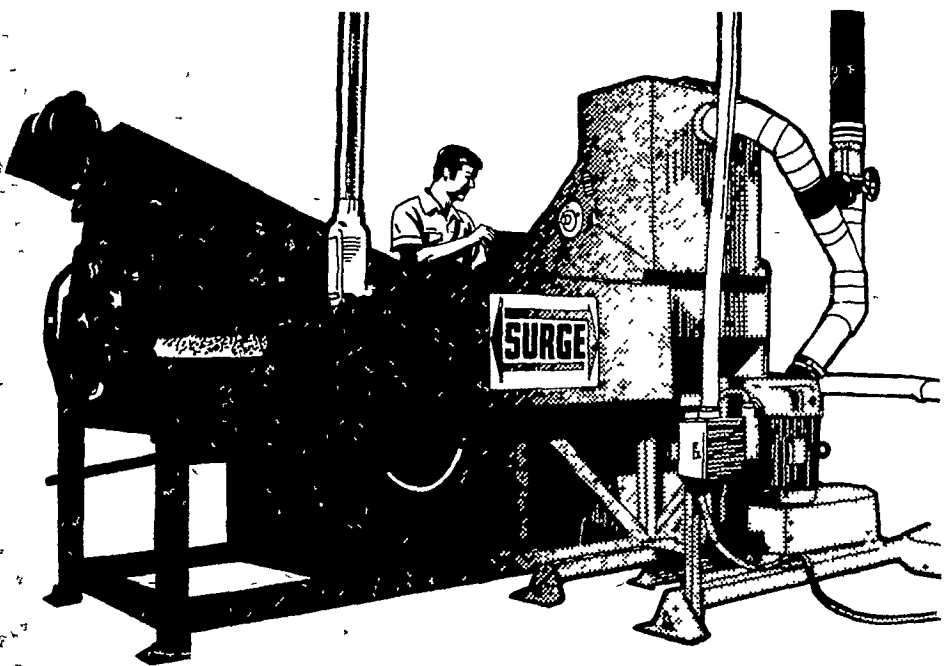
heart. (Any ridges in the foil can be smoothed out with the blunt edge of a knife or ruler). Then using a darning needle, she punches a pattern of holes. Constance advises pinning the shape to a piece of corrugated cardboard so the needle can be punched through cleanly and safely.

Now comes the fun. Using spray paints in different colors, she creates her "rangoli stencils" - for greeting cards, party napkins, even wall hangings. And - as the foil shapes take on their new shiny new color, they become ornaments in themselves!



Who would guess these pretty ornaments were made from foil pie plates, a darning needle, and spray paint? Shapes were cut out of foil, punched into lacy patterns, then sprayed with a variety of colors. The bird and heart doubled as stencils: they were placed on old white sheet which was sprayed cherry red - and turned into a lively party tablecloth.

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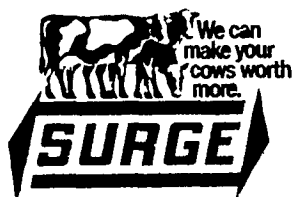
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