Recycled Marker Spray Paint

For the time being, Crayola isn’t taking used markers for their recycle program. The upside for you is an opportunity to make watercolor spray bottles at home! Collect like color used markers from your collection. Put a group of uncapped markers into an empty spray bottle and fill with water. Let soak for 12-24 hours, and then get to spraying!

Yarn Wrapped Stars

Put your recycled cardboard to good use by making these yarn wrapped stars. Start by drawing out a star shape on a piece of paper and cutting it out. Use it as a stencil to cut out as many cardboard stars as you'd like to make. Add beads on each point of the star with hot glue. Glue down the tail of the yarn, and begin wrapping the body, and then each point. After you finish wrapping, tuck the remaining yarn under the wrap and tack down with a dot of glue. Either hang the stars individually, or add string and suspend from a ring or wire to make a mobile.

Sock Bunnies

Turn your mismatched socks into a sweet Easter Rabbit. Stretch the full ankle portion of a tall sock over the edge of a water glass. Fill the glass with uncooked rice. Pull the ankle section from the glass and secure with a rubber band. Separate the rice-filled section into a large ball on bottom and a small ball on top and secure the waist with a rubber band - this will form the head and body. Add a small ball on the back with a rubber band for the tail. Cut the excess fabric from the top but leave about 4 inches, then cut the fabric section in half to form the ears. Draw your bunny face onto the head section with marker or stitch with thread, then add a colorful ribbon to the waist of your bunny for decoration. Add to your Easter table setting or your children’s Easter baskets!
Easter Eggs

Most people imagine decorating their Easter eggs by dunking them in dye, but we’re here to inspire you to think outside of the box! Mix it up with a few different dye techniques, or collage different elements on to the egg’s surface. If you want to play with dye, try partially dipping brown eggs into a shallow puddle and layering different colors for a blocking effect, or use a paint brush to create designs and watercolor-like layers of pigment. You can also wrap your eggs in different colors of yarn or twine, and add collaged elements such as feathers, gold leaf, tissue paper, newspaper and magazines, even cover them in glitter if you’re feeling some sparkle. Get creative with these! There are endless possibilities. Happy Easter weekend!

Egg Carton Flowers

Turn those empty egg cartons leftover from Easter into something beautiful! Remove the cup sections from the egg cartons and cut into petal shapes. Layer sections on top of one another and mold into flowers and add color with paint or markers. Add wire or pipe cleaners to the flowers for a bouquet, hang them along string to make a wall hanging, or attach them to string lights for unique decoration.

Balloon Bowls

Use a balloon as a mold for these decorative dishes. You can use paper, buttons, glitter, leaves, beads, or anything that will mold itself to the balloon shape. Blow up your balloon and cover the lower section with mod podge or a mixture of water and glue. Cover the glue with your chosen material, and paint more of the glue mixture overtop. Let this layer dry completely, and then repeat with more of the glue mixture, let set, and repeat several times until a solid layer is built up. Let set overnight, and then pop the balloon and remove it from your mold.