



Skull Mask

Called *calaveras* in Spanish, skulls are a key part of *Dia do Los Muertos*. They represent the idea that all living things die. The mask you make is based on a decorated model of a skull made of sugar. Sugar is pressed into molds and decorated with beads, paint, feathers, and sequins. Some sugar skulls are placed on the altar. Others are flavored with vanilla, only decorated with edible dyes and icing, and given to children. Those on altars may have the name of the deceased written across the forehead.

Materials:

mask template
crayons or colored pencils
scissors
popsicle stick/craft stick
tape



Instructions:

Download and print mask template.

Color.



Cut out eyes first, then the rest.



Flip over and attach stick to bottom with tape.



Finished!



