

# Solstice Light Garden

In celebration of the solstice we are creating a garden of lights on our grounds, made of ice lanterns and luminaria for ourselves and our community on the evening of December 20th..

Won't you join us?

## Ice Lanterns

The size and shape of the ice lanterns are only limited by the containers you find. The height of the container is a consideration; the taller, the better to protect the flame. Large aluminum cans work best in the freezer and we have some to lend. For the insert, tall juice cans or coffee cans work well. For freezing outdoors, a bucket can be used.

1. Two sizes of aluminum cans or plastic containers - one nests inside the other.
2. Greenery, berries, flower petals, sliced fruit, twigs, colored tissue paper fragments
3. Weights and/or tape to hold insert within water mold
4. Water



## Instructions

- Clean out your cans, removing labels and all
- Put water in the larger of the two containers so that the smaller container can nest within
- Hold the smaller insert in place by loading it with something heavy like marbles, stones, or sand



Add decorative natural elements to the water and place outside (if it's cold enough) or in the freezer.

To extract: - simply run warm water on the outside container and inside of the inset container to loosen (or bring into the warm house for a few minutes). Voila! You have an ice lantern.

**\*We have large cans available. Just contact Margo or Erika to have one left out for you to pick up!**



## Luminaria

the perfect use of leftover tissue paper, markers & plastic milk jugs - you can decorate it, or not ... as you wish. If you do use paper, avoid too opaque color paper as it blocks the glow.

## Variety

There are numerous ways to make your luminaria from jugs. Please review the links below and decide what approach most appeals to you and your family.



[Milk jug luminaries with decorative options](#)

[Simple Luminaries cut from top](#)

(Can be decorated as well)

[A hanging option \(less protected from wind\)](#)

(We'll use a battery candle for these)

## Possible Materials

emptied and cleaned plastic containers, craft knife, scissors/hole punches/cookie cutters, markers for tracing and decoration, tissue paper, glue, small container for mixing glue, paint brushes,

**FUUSB will be providing both battery powered and live tealights as appropriate as well as rice and sand to weight your lanterns, or you can bring them pre-weighted.**

Contact Margo or Erika with questions or to arrange drop off of your lantern.

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