

Painting Kindness Rocks - Home Event

Event Time: 2 hrs (+1 hr set/clean up)
Prep Time: 3 hours over 2 weeks
Participants: 1 - 20
Location: Your home

What the world needs now is Kindness! One simple message at just the right moment can change someone's entire day...outlook...life!

A friend and I brought The Kindness Rocks Project to our hometown to brighten people's days and grow a web of kindness!! Here's how you can too!

You can hold the event at your home, a small group gathering or even a work lunchroom. You can almost just leave supplies out for people and they'll know what to do. In just 1 hr, 8 of us painted close to 70 rocks! It was awesome!



Step By Step *Allow 2 weeks from start to finish.*

Week 1

- Secure the venue and the date (½ hour: Speak to guests or other members about event, pick a date)
- OPTIONAL: Create group Facebook page (1 hour)

Week 2

- OPTIONAL: Pre-paint variety of base coats (30 min, allow dry time)

Day of Event

- Cover tables/provide scrap paper. Spread rocks on table (30 min)
- Create palettes of paint colors on paper plates, place on tables with brushes, pens and water cup (15 min – Early arrivers can help)
- Clean Up (15 min)

After *There is no wrong way to do this*

- Hide rocks with the hope that whomever needs the kindness of that rock will find it and keep it
- Post placed rocks on social media with clues on where to find the rock so others can find and rehide
- Start Kindness Rocks gardens in your neighborhood
- Encourage those that find rocks to post on social media with your group hashtag

Supplies

Rocks \$12/bag of 75+ x 1 = \$12
Spray Paint (base coat) x 3 = \$12
Optional Clear Seal = \$7
Paint Pens x 1 sets = \$11 =OR=
Acrylic Paint (assorted set) = \$10
Paint Brushes x 1 set = \$9
Paper Cups/Plates (for paint) = \$1
Invitations (online) = \$0
Out of Pocket Costs: \$42 - \$51
Plus Food/Drinks (varies)

Tips, Tricks & the Unexpected

To share in food expenses, make it a potluck, or just make light appetizers. Serve your favorite drinks!!
If all adults, Paint Pens are amazing - thicker than ink, not messy. If kids are coming, stick to paints and brushes
Bring other things to paint with: Qtips, sponges, erasers (can be cut to make shapes)
Paint sticks best to natural, not polished rocks. Spray paint was easy for base coat, leave some natural too.
Create a hashtag for your group (Example: #RedondoRocks) or if you don't want to create a formal group use #thekindnessrocksproject Create a table tent on the tables to remind guests.
Provide Oprah magazines or books of inspirational sayings on the table for people to look through.
Consider painting rocks for specific groups: Schools, senior citizen homes, children's hospitals, etc.

NOTE: People did not have to pay for our event but it could easily be turned into a fundraiser for a charity.