

A Witch's Broom is a Haunting Photo Gallery

Halloween pictures are uniquely displayed on a broom stick accented with bewitching memorabilia!

What you'll need

- 4" x 6" photos
- Spray adhesive
- 6" x 9" sticky back foam sheets in assorted colors
- Black card stock paper
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Green, 14-gauge craft wire
- Pliers, needle nose pliers, wire cutters
- 2 craft broomsticks
- Wood dowel, 1" in diameter, 4 feet long
- Craft glue
- Black raffia

Optional: Halloween decorations: black paper-mâché crow, rubber snakes, cobwebs, fuzzy spiders, antiqued metal chains, twigs with brown leaves



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What to do

- 1 Working freehand, trim your best 4" x 6" shots into curvy shapes.
- 2 Spread photos right-side-down on newspaper and apply spray adhesive. When adhesive is tacky to the touch (5-10 minutes), adhere each one to a 6" x 9" sticky back foam sheet, in a color to contrast or complement your photo. Cut foam sheet into a curvy shape, roughly echoing the photo's shape.
- 3 Peel away paper backing from foam sheet, and adhere to black construction paper or card stock leaving space all around. Cut a shape into the black paper roughly echoing the curved edge at sides and top, and giving the bottom edge a dripping effect. Using a hole punch, punch a hole in the foam border at center of top edge.

What to do (cont.)

- 4 Hang the gallery from a broom, using a straw broom you have on hand, or making a primitive version as follows: Cut the handle end off one or two inexpensive brooms (sold as Halloween decorations, or hearth sweepers). Sandwich broom straws around a wood dowel, 1" in diameter and 4 feet long. Secure with a little glue, wrap with wire, then cover wrap with black raffia.
- 5 Hang the broom using thin wire. Hang the photos with colorful, bendable craft wire. Pull one wire end through punched hole, and use needle nose pliers to make a curlicue. Use regular pliers to crimp zigzags into the wire, then wrap the wire around the broomstick and cut off the excess. Hang one row of photos in this way. Hang successive tiers from this top row, wrapping wire end around a curlicue behind a photo, rather than to the broomstick.
- 6 Cast a spell over the photo gallery by adding assorted Halloween decorations along the broomstick, such as antiqued metal chains, a paper-mâché crow or a squeaky rat toy, twigs with brown leaves, cobwebs and spiders.

This Halloween decoration can be used year after year!

