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# Big! Huge! Paper Kids



Fingerpaint yourself or someone you know! This activity is perfect for developing children's painting skills, but don't limit yourself to paint! Make a highly textured and complex portrait by using a combination of yarn, crayons, felt shapes, foam cut-outs, pasting pieces and craft paper.

Let's get started! Cover your work surface with news paper or craft paper. Pour good quality fingerpaint into bowls. Use several loops of masking tape to hold the person in place. Have a bucket of water and some paper towels handy so kids can clean their hands. Tip: some children do not like the feel of paint. Give them rubber gloves.

Here are some more suggestions for building on the paint experience:

**Self-portrait.** Many children will want to create a self-portrait. have mirrors on hand. Set out skin-toned paint, hair-colored yarn or tissue paper.

**Make paper clothes for your cut-outs!** Try Roylco's **R15243 Fabulous Fabric Paper**. Tip: encourage kids to make their own shirts, shorts and shoes. Outline the person on a separate piece of paper. For a shirt, cut along the neck arms and waist. For shorts, cut at the knees and waist; for shoes, cut just above the ankles.

**Display your creations!** Use masking tape to post your group high on the wall. Connect all the portraits in a line as if they are holding hands or re-create your class photo with them. Don't forget to make name tags for your people. Write up speech bubbles describing favorite foods, activities, pets and toys for each child and post them with their cut-outs.

**Incorporate a theme.** Encourage kids to dress their people as astronauts or historical figures.

### Tips and Suggestions:

For an alternative to finger painting, try using Roylco's **R5321 Texture Paint Wands**. Incorporate accessories. Add Roylco's **R37020 Sparkle Big Buttons** and **R2144 Glitter Pom Poms** to spruce up your people.

