

TIPS

# Bringing your walls to life

They say one of man's greatest gifts is the ability to imagine and then to create. No living creature shows as much artistic ability as humans. Why should this gift then be hidden when you could display it on every wall in every room? And why go out of your way to pay a pretty dime for a framed painting when you can paint directly on your wall? While you could commission the work, doing it yourself is a lot more fun and much more personal.

While painting, you can actually decide what kind of pattern your walls will have. Brush roll the paint and then use a broom to add some texture. Simply press the broom against the fresh coat of paint, do the W paint wave if needed and scrape away to create a unique pattern. You could also take a cut out any shape using a cardboard and use it to draw the lines first. You can then proceed to filling the shapes with the colours of your choice. Similarly you can fashion the cardboard by making cuts to make a polka dot pattern. Additional and easy options include using butterfly stickers, glow in the dark stars or even 3D hearts to bring your wall to life.

To create the silhouette effect, place cuts of whatever shape you wish and place it near light directly opposite the wall. This will throw up the shadows and will lend quite a haunting and eerie appearance to your room.

Once you let your imagine run wild there really is no limit. Photographs, fabric, old saris and embroidery using colourful floss can all be used to give your room and your walls a brand new personality. Make a game of it and the whole experience may result in a pretty fun weekend with a permanent memory of it forever present for all to see.







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