
ANGEL IN A JAR

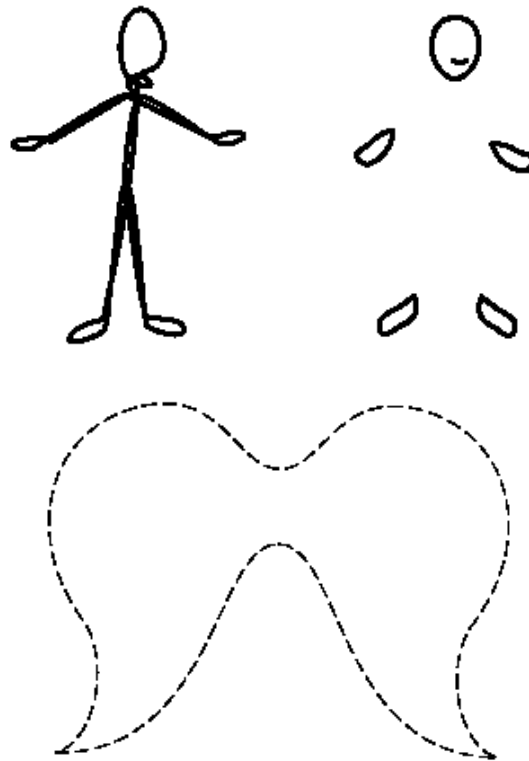
Joanna found a fairy in a jar in a Florida flea market, but decided she'd rather keep an angel in a jar. On one trip home, she showed me how to keep an angel in a jar on my own shelf.

You will need:

- quart-size canning-jar (or other large, wide-mouthed jar)
- flesh-colored Sculpey III or Fimo clay; mix colors for darker flesh tones
- aluminum or easy-to-bend wire (not plastic-coated)
- scraps of ribbon, lace, and net
- 12" piece of silver braid
- bottle of glittery silver or iridescent fabric-paint
- 2" length of silver pipecleaner
- stiff (yet flexible) clear plastic, such as that cut from a box lid
- cotton balls
- tiny beads for eyes
- clear fishline
- hammer and large nail
- hot-glue gun
- red, fine-line marker or drop of red paint
- silver foil stars

Form an armature for your angel from wire similar to our diagram. It is about 3" tall. Using Sculpey II or Fimo clay, form a head and the hands and feet on the armature. Bake according to the directions for the clay. When cool, glue on a dress of ribbon, net, or lace scraps. Place a tiny dot of red paint for mouth or use a red marker. Glue on cotton hair and a silver pipe-cleaner halo.

The angel holds a silver-foil star; silver-foil stars are also stuck to a piece of cotton "cloud" at bottom of jar. Tie a piece of clear fishline around angel's body just under the arms, leaving one end about 5" long. Tie on a belt of silver cord.



Cut both wings as a single piece from clear plastic. Edge wings with glittery silver or iridescent fabric-paint. Allow to dry thoroughly before gluing them to back of angel with hot glue. With your hammer and nail, make some holes in the jar lid so your angel can breathe!

When your angel is complete, suspend it about halfway down in the jar. Fold the fishline over the lip of the jar and screw on the lid tightly. Your angel appears to be flying inside the jar. Finish by tying a silver cord around top of jar.
