

EVIL MUTANT FAIRY PLASTICS 3: WARPED WINGS

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1. Check that you have in your kit:

- Wire cutters
- Pliers
- Clear tape
- Scissors or snips
- Spool of wire
- At least four sheets of



iridescent cellophane wrapping paper or recycled plastic bags, (you will need more cellophane or plastic bags if you wish to do complex wings with more than two basic wing pieces).

- Two elastic headbands that match your costume colors
- Needle and thread, to match the above bands
- Additional embellishments to taste, such as plastic insects or spiders, iridescent plastic snowflakes, sequins, rhinestones, glitter glue, or feathers

(You will also need a heat gun to complete the project)



2. Bend your wire to form a back piece to either thrust into the back of a tight fitting costume, (or sew to the bands) as in the pictures. ←

3. Make a wire loop, using your pliers as shown, then add a

matching loop to the other side. →



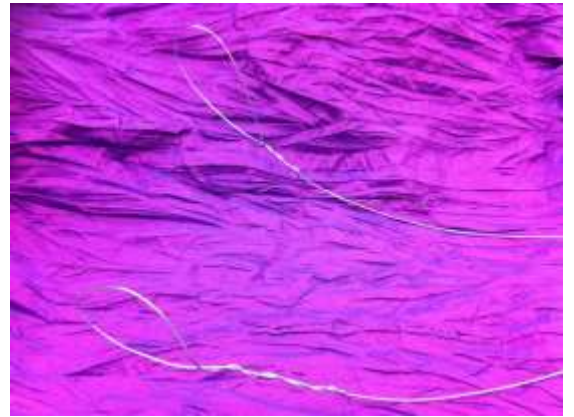


4. ← Cross the leftover ends of the wire in the middle, as shown, to make a stable center for your wings.



5. If you want to make more complex wings, you can make more

loops, or antenna-like mini loops and add them to the wings, near the stabilized top as shown →, or for simple wings, just cut the extra wire off.



6. ← Wrap one wing in one piece of cellophane (or recycled plastic) with clear plastic tape as shown. It is ok to have plastic overlap or gather. If some part strikes you as way too thick, trim some out with your



scissors. Repeat with other wing piece(s).



7. Outdoors, blow hot air with the heat gun until the plastic shrink wraps around the wires smoothly. →



8. ← Continue heating the plastic to form small holes in the middle of the wing as shown, avoid heating the wire edges during this step so the plastic won't come off of the wires.

9. Let the wings cool then take them back inside.

10. Cover the wings with a second, contrasting color of plastic wrap as in step 6. (Note: if you have made flying antenna-like wire loops, you may want to wrap the flying wires with plastic and tape too). →





11. ← Shrink and hole the upper layer of plastic on the wings as in steps 7 & 8, to create the effect shown. If working with recycled pieces of plastic, repeat this as often as needed to get the look you are

seeking.

12: After the wings have cooled again, bring them inside and bend wires to configure them to the shape you want. →

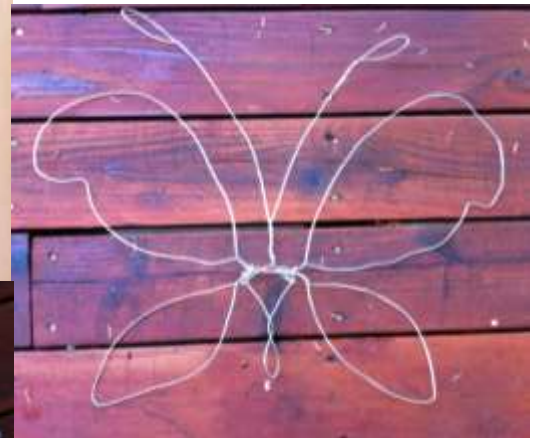


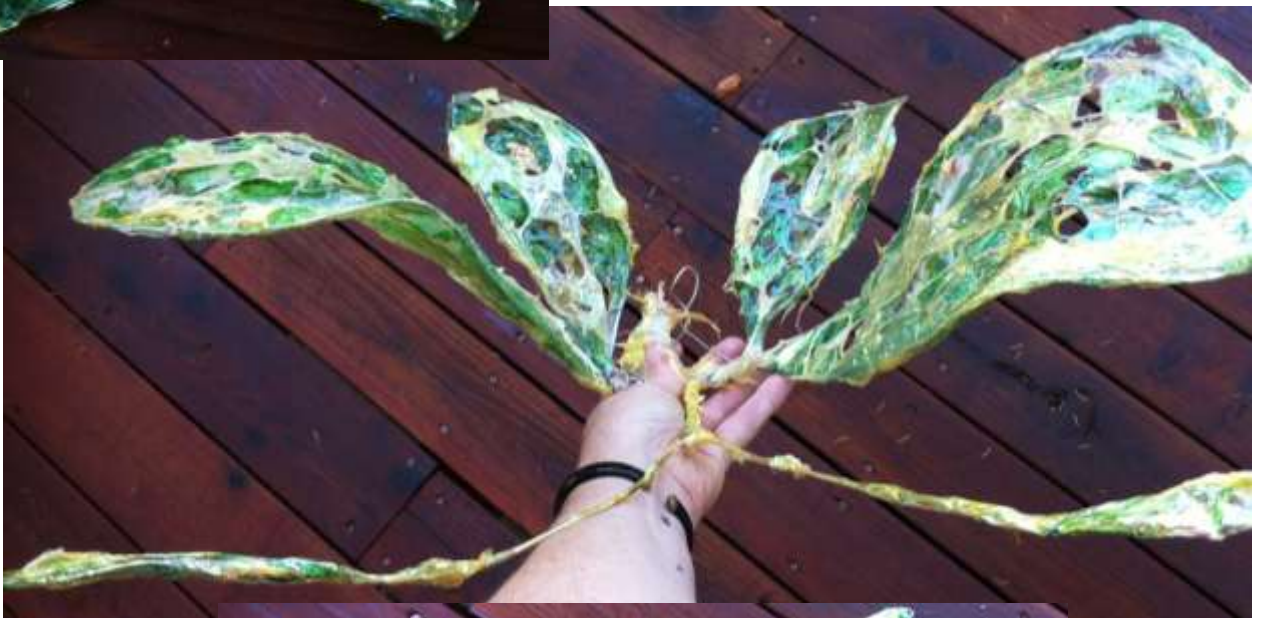
13. ← Embellish wings to taste with bugs, sequins, glitter glue, etc.

14. Sew elastic bands to the center of the wire frame as shown. If you are wearing these by simply thrusting the wire support into the back of a corset you may omit this step. →



Variations:











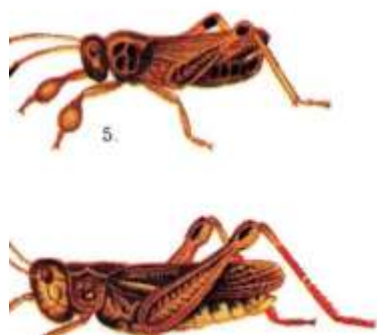
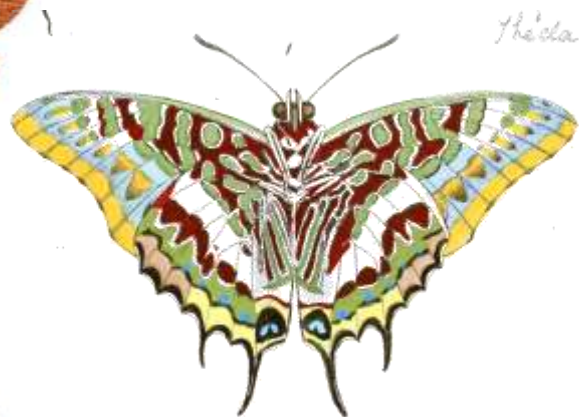
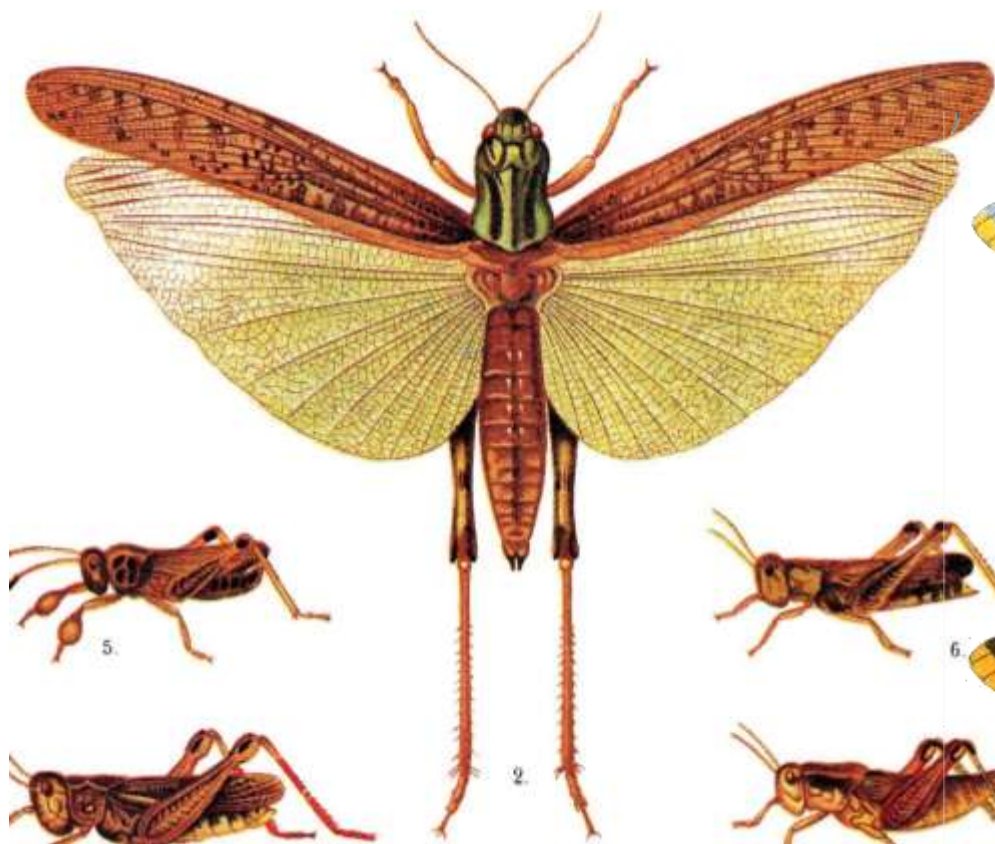
Wire and Floral Stem Wires Bent into a Complex Wing Shape. Wrapped Carefully with Green Iridescent Cellophane and Ironed. Lightly Shrunk at edges with a Heat Gun. Wrapped with Translucent Dry Cleaning Bag, Ironed, and Gently Distressed with a Heat Gun to Shrink into Texture and Holes.



Lilac Iridescent Cellophane is wrapped over a Wire Loop and Ironed flat. Small pieces of assorted Recycled Plastics are laid out on top of the flat surface, and ironed on. The plastics are Shrunk on and Roughly Textured with a Heat Gun. The Wire is Cut Out of the Wing, and a Dry Cleaning Bag is ironed over the whole surface to stabilize it. The Edges are carefully ironed to fuse them. Then the Wing is again Lightly Textured and Holed in the Center with the Heat Gun, to make a very Soft Stable Wing for Somersaults.



Wire loop Double-Bagged & Wrapped with 2 Large Red Cellophane Gift Bags, and Roughly Heat-Gunned ☺



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