

Angel Ornaments

Across the world and throughout history people have created images and artwork showing angels. You may have already seen some of the angels in the various Nativities included in Glencairn's online World Nativities exhibition this year.

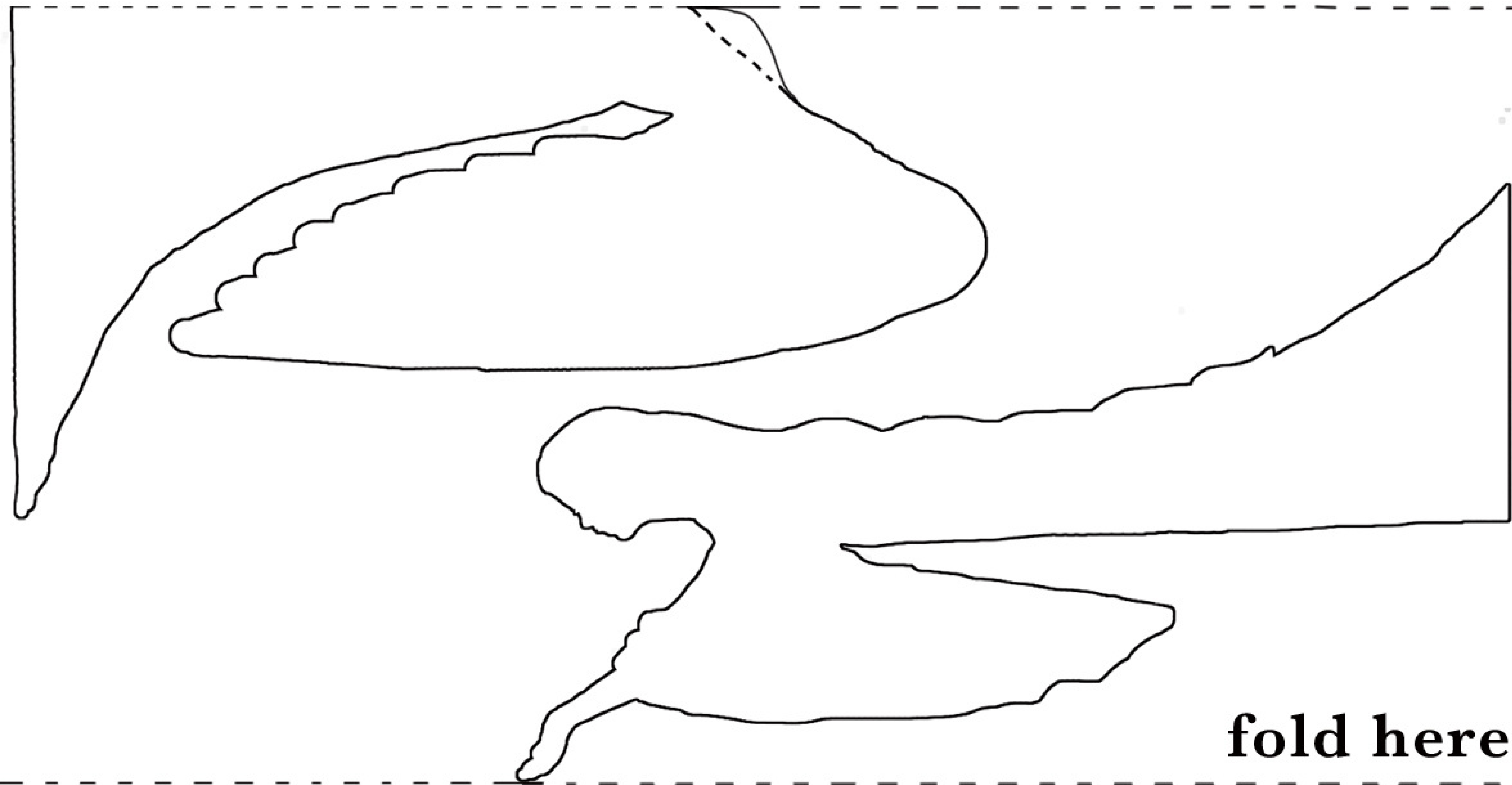
In the Christmas story, angels guided the shepherds to the baby Jesus, proclaiming 'Fear Not...Peace on Earth and Good will to Men'. These angel ornaments stand ready, their hands open to hold a special message to the world this Christmas.



Materials

- A piece of heavy printable cardstock 8.5 x 11 inches
- Printer to print the templates
- Large needle
- Scissors
- String for a hanging loop
- Coloring materials
- Glue stick or Glue Dots
- A grownup to help as needed

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Step 1

- Print out the template on heavy cardstock paper, any color you'd like.
- Cut out between the body and wings of the angel as shown.
- Fold on both 'fold here' lines.
- Cut out all solid lines (do not cut out dotted lines). Cutting when the paper is folded will make one folded set of wings and body, and two face/body pieces. You'll have three pieces in all.
- Fold down both tabs on the wing part as shown.



Step 2

- Flip over and decorate the outside of the paper, the angel's gown, wings and face, and hands. This is a fun opportunity to use inspiration from all over the world for your angel and their clothing and wings. Or they can be left a solid color.
- Using a scrap of the leftover paper, cut out a small shape for the angel to hold, and write a message or draw something for the angel to hold. (Draw/write on both sides of the shape you cut out).



Step 3

- Put glue on the back of one of the face/body pieces of the angel, just at their face, head, and hands. Place the message or object you drew for them to hold on the hand part, making sure there's some glue there to hold it.
- Place a knotted loop of string at their head, again making sure there is some glue to hold it.
- Place the second face/body piece on and press them together. Place something like a plastic sheet protector over this and put a heavy book on top to keep it flat while the glue dries.



Step 4

- On the wing part, place a small amount of glue on the two folded-in tabs.
- Place the face/body piece in between the folded tabs of the wing section and pinch firmly together at the tab area to glue the two pieces together.



Step 5

- Stand your angel up by gently bending out the back of the skirt to make a V shaped base.
- You can also hang your angel from a tree or anywhere you want!
- If you are making a whole host of angels, try decorating them in different ways inspired by the many parts of the world depicted in the Nativities in Glencairn's collections.

All done!

