

# ILLUMINANCE - Ice Lanterns for Kingston *artignite* 2012



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## directions

1. Fill the large container approximately 3/4 full with water.
2. Add food colouring & any items you would like to freeze into your lantern.
3. Float the small container in the centre of the large one.
4. Tape across the top of both containers in a criss-cross pattern to hold the small container securely in place.
5. Leave a little room at the top of the container to allow the ice to expand as it freezes.
6. Put it outside in the cold or in the freezer. Depending on the size of your lantern and the temperature you will need to leave it for approximately 36-48 hours.
7. When your lantern is frozen, remove the tape.
8. Run warm water in your

- small container just enough to free it from the ice.
9. Run warm water over the outside of your large container to free the ice - turn it upside down and work to slide it free.
10. The warm water may cause some cracking - don't worry! You can repair it with water or even better use a bit of slushy snow. The crack will also probably look nice in the light.
11. Put a tea light in the hollow centre and light it up - you have an ice lantern!

## supplies

- one small container
- one large container
- water
- masking tape or duct tape
- tea light
- optional: food colouring, leaves, berries, small coloured objects, glitter, or anything else

## tips & tricks for great lanterns

- \* make sure your containers have smooth sides and are either straight-sided or tapered outwards
- \* use rigid containers
- \* your ice lantern will probably have some clear ice and some cloudy ice
- \* get creative with your molds - use a bundt pan for a one-piece candle lantern mold