



Scented Fan

Artists in Malaysia carved fans from sandalwood trees of the Bandi Forest. After carving and smoothing the fan sticks, the artists pierced tiny holes to create patterns. The fans were dipped into water before being used. This brought out the naturally scented oils in the wood. The handles of the fans were carved and the fans given poetic names such as “Thunder – weather flower.”

Materials:

6 pre-cut fan sticks (cut from a file folder or card stock) with 3 small holes in each; large needles threaded with heavy thread; brass paper fasteners; clear tape; markers; scent (if desired).

