

Talavera Tiles

CELEBRATE HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

National Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 – October 15) recognizes and celebrates the culture, contributions, and heritage of Hispanic Americans. Talavera tiles are decorative tiles you may see lining kitchens, bathrooms, and walkways.

MATERIALS NEEDED: Tile template printed on cardstock, colored markers or pencils.

ACTIVITY

- Watch the video featuring Daniel Hernandez, Chicano Resource Center Librarian as he talks about this traditional Mexican ceramic art form highly acclaimed for its quality and beauty. <https://bit.ly/tiles2022> or use the QR code.
- Create four tiles inspired by traditional Talavera tile designs or design your own pattern.
- Share your creation on social media and don't forget to tag @LACountyLibrary.



RESOURCES

Books:

- Mexican Tiles: Color, Style, Design by Masako Takahashi
- Traditional Mexican style interiors by Donna McMenamin
- Traditional Mexican style exteriors by Donna McMenamin
- Houses of Puebla: The Cradle of Mexican Architecture by Marie-Pierre Colle

Videos:

- How Talavera Tile Are Crafted By Hand on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ui84ORet2cl>
- Artisanal talavera of Puebla and Tlaxcala (Mexico) by UNESCO on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqcHlqYxsOE>

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