

PHOTO BOOTH

WHAT IS IT?

DIY photo booth!

MATERIALS NEEDED

Backdrop:

- Cardboard/tablecloth/sheet
- Command strips and hooks/pins/tape/mechanism for hanging fabric
- Scissors
- String lights (optional)

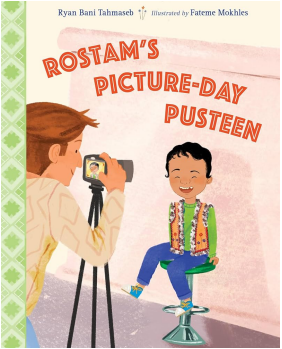
Props (optional):

- Small wooden dowels or large craft sticks
- Cardstock
- Glue (optional)
- Markers/crayons/paints
- Dress up items - fun hats, silly sunglasses, fancy scarves, etc.
- BOOKS!

HOW DO YOU DO IT?

Option 1: Backdrop

1. Hang a tablecloth, sheet, or large swath of fabric as a backdrop.
2. If using, hang string lights.
3. Make fun props and place near the backdrop (optional)
4. Invite people to use their phones to take photos. Encourage them to tag the library in any photos they post online.



PRIMARY AUDIENCE

Early Childhood
Children
Teen
Young Adult
Adult
Family

PASSIVE X
ACTIVE



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HOW DO YOU DO IT?(continued)

Option 1: Cardboard Cutout

1. Deconstruct a large cardboard box so it's laying as flat as possible.
2. Create a scene, making sure there's at least one good place to cut a hole for someone to peek through.
3. Using a utility knife, cut peep holes in the appropriate places. Make sure they're large enough to see someone's whole face.
4. Prop your scene up against a couple of chairs so it can stand alone. Keep in mind how much space is behind it so people can easily pose.



NOTES

Older children and teens could design and make the cardboard backdrop!

Consider the height of who will be using this cutout when creating your scene.

Option 3: Picture Frame



1. Deconstruct a large cardboard box so it's laying as flat as possible.
2. Draw frame shapes onto the box. Use a utility knife to cut them out. Make sure they're large enough so the inside space can show at least one person's portrait.
3. Decorate the frame!
4. Place the frame in a public location. Invite people to use their phones to take photos.

NOTE

Teens could design and decorate photobooth frames.

Encourage people to tag the library in photos they post online!

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ADDITIONAL

Make props!

- Print out or draw simple hats, mustaches, glasses, bows, bow ties, word bubbles, etc. on cardstock or cardboard.
- Color them.
- Cut items out and glue or tape them to craft sticks.

NOTE

Older children and teens could make props!

RESOURCES

Paint Sew Glue Chew

DIY Emoji Photo Booth Props

<https://paintsewgluechew.com/2015/07/emoji-photo-booth-props-diy/>

Paint Sew Glue Chew

Easy DIY Moustache Photo Booth Props

<https://paintsewgluechew.com/2015/07/moustache-photo-booth-prop/>

Printable Photo Booth Props

<https://printable-photo-booth-props.com/>