

# The Rose Show

## A New Tradition

In April 1922, the first Rose Show was held at Neel's Department Store in downtown Thomasville. Organized by the Garden Clubs, the Show was a competition and display.

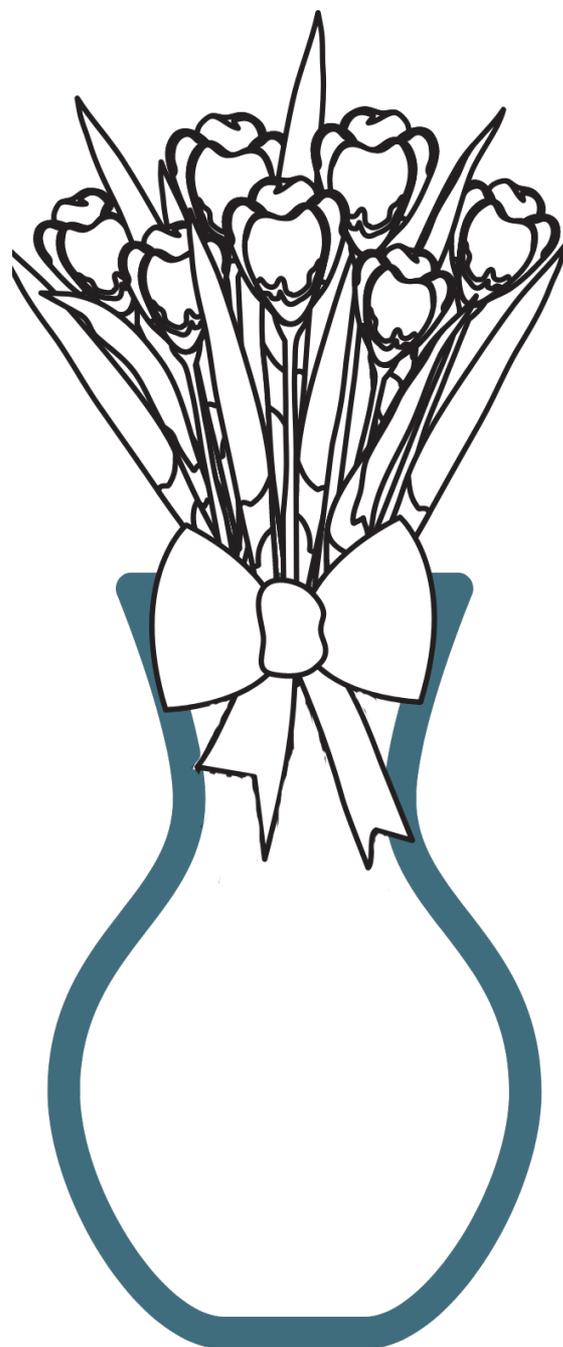
## Best in Show

Congratulations, your roses have been named the Best in Show at the first Annual Rose Show! A new silver trophy has been made and your name will be engraved on the trophy.



The Thomasville Times-Enterprise newspaper has photographed your bouquet but the newspaper cannot print photos in color yet.

Add some color to your bouquet and vase!



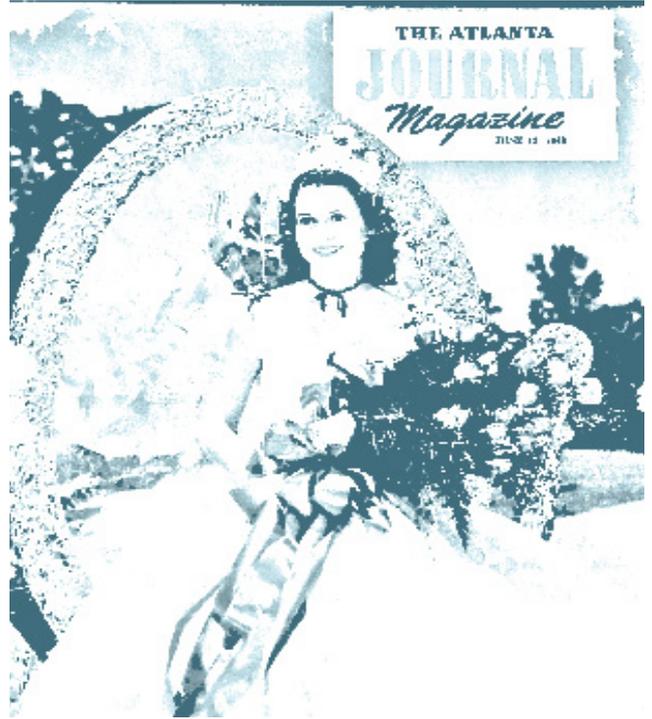
Thomasville's First Rose Show, 1922

## 1948 Rose Festival & Rose Queen

After World War II, Thomasville was ready for some fun. In 1948, Thomasville added a new event to the Rose Show: a parade. Thousands of people lined the streets to see floats from Boston, Pavo, Ochlocknee, Thomasville, and other local towns as well as to hear the marching bands play.

Floats received prizes for their creativity. One float from Meigs had a farm family including models of a wagon and horse! The WKTG radio station broadcast the parade with commenters describing the what they saw.

For the first time a Rose Queen was crowned to reign over the Festival. Thomasville High School student Doris Gothard was crowned the first queen. The dress that she wore in the parade is on display at the History Center.



### Design a Float

If you got to have a float in the parade, what would it look like? Draw your design below.

### Host a Parade

Use the instructions on the next page to create a beautiful rose bouquet or garland. Once you've made your roses, get a grown-up's permission and help to decorate your family car, your bicycle, or scooter and have a family parade through your neighborhood.



## 3-D Rose Bouquet

Make your own roses! Using craft paper, scissors, tape, and a little creativity, you can make your own special rose bouquet to recreate the Rose Show at home! There are 2 ways you can make your roses:

**Difficulty Level:** 2

**Ages:** All  
Younger crafters may need help from a grown-up.

**Special Equipment:**  
Hot Glue



**Rolled**



**Petals**

### Supplies

Makes about 2 roses

- Sheets of colored felt (12"x12") 1 sheet = 2 roses
- Sheets of green felt (6"x6")
- Pipe Cleaners
- Scissors
- Hot Glue Gun & Sticks
- Ruler
- Cutting Mat and Rolling Fabric Cutter (optional)
- Pencil or Marker for tracing
- Round object about 4-6" in diameter to trace

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Petal Rose



Rolled Rose

**We think a rose bouquet looks best when you make a mixture of petal and rolled roses. Check out this nosegay (mini-bouquet) we made!**

# Petal Rose Instructions

See it in action: Search “How to Make Felt Flower:Rose” on YouTube by user FumikaSaku

## Step 1: Cut out Your Materials



Cut 4, 2”x2” squares of colored felt; Cut 8, 1.5” x1.5” squares of colored felt; Cut 1, 4”x4” square of green felt (the scraps from the green leaves can be used for leaves on the rolled roses. Don’t throw them away!) For each rose use half of a pipe cleaner per rose. Leave a little bit of stem so you can secure your rose.

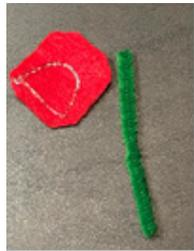


## Step 2: Make the Petal Shapes

Once you have all of your squares cut, you’ll need to create the petal shapes. Cut both the 1.5”x1.5” squares and 2” squares at the corners to make them into rounded shapes.

## Step 3: Assemble the Small Petals

Using the hot glue gun, pipe a thin line of glue along the edge of one of the smaller circles. Draw a “D” in hot glue by tracing one rounded edge and a vertical line of glue down the center. Wrap it around the pipe cleaner and carefully press into place. If any of the pipe cleaner sticks out from the top, carefully bend it over and press.



## Step 4: Make Layers of Small Petals to Build the Rose

Take another 1.5” square and draw a “C” in hot glue by tracing one rounded edge. Turn the circle so the C becomes a U and wrap around the rolled stem, lining up the bottom edges of your felt.



## Step 5: Make it Look Real

Repeat with the remaining 1.5” pieces, and be sure to rotate your placement around the rose so that it grows outward. Alternate sides to cover the petal seams. On some pieces, you may want to add a dot of glue on the outside of the petal and gently fold the top edge down to meet the glue. This will give the rolled look of a petal. Be sure of your placement before you glue because once the hot glue is on the felt, it’s there forever.

## Step 6: Form Large Petals



Cut the 2” squares so they are now round just like you did for the smaller pieces. Cut a 1/2” vertical slit in the circle. Place a dot of glue on one side of the slit and gently press the other flap onto the glue dot. This will create a concave or bowl like shape to the petal so it can wrap around the smaller petals. Repeat for all 2” squares

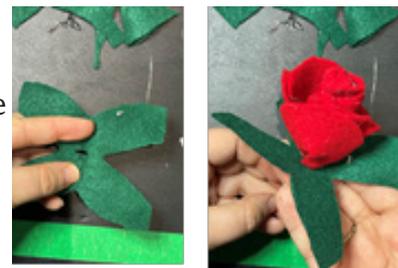
## Step 7: Add Large Petals

Once the squares are glued into bowls, you’re ready to assemble. Place a small amount of glue on the inside bottom of the bowl (just about where you glued the two flaps together). Line it up to the bottom of the smaller petals and gently press. Watch your fingers! The glue might seep out of the bottom. Glue the next petal so it slightly overlaps the first to the right or left. Repeat glue. If you want, you can repeat the rolled edge effect from the smaller petals. This will make your rose more realistic. If your rose is not tight to your liking, you can glue the bottom edges to pipe cleaner



### Step 8: Make Your Leaves

Cut a 4"x4" square of green fabric from the larger square. Don't throw away the extra bits of green, you'll need them again later. Fold your square vertically (hot dog style) then again horizontally (hamburger style). Using scissors, cut a leaf shape. Your leaves should still be connected at the bottom. Carefully cut a small hole for your pipe cleaner and thread the green felt leaves up the stem to the base of your rose. Do not glue in place yet.



### Step 9: Repeat Steps to Make Another Rose

## Rolled Rose Instructions

See it in action: Search "How to Make Rolled Roses from Felt" on YouTube from user The Crafty Mom



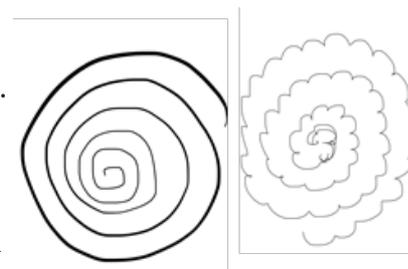
### Step 1: Cut Materials

Cut a half of a pipe cleaner in half again. Find something round to trace. It should be about 4-6" in diameter. For younger or inexperienced crafters, go for something a little bigger. Trace your item (s) and cut out the circles.



### Step 2: Choose Smooth or Scalloped Edge

For the next step, you can cut a straight spiral (smooth edge) or a scalloped spiral (curvy edge). Either one will work and the choice is yours. A scalloped edge will create more of a ruffled rose effect and is a little harder to work with while a straight spiral cut will be smoother. Keep the band of your spiral to about 1/2" wide. Starting at the outer edge of your circle cut long your traced lines to form a spiral (straight or scalloped) until you reach the center of the circle.



### Step 3: Roll & Glue

Take your piece of pipe cleaner, and place a dot of hot glue on the center end point of your spiral. Carefully begin rolling and wrapping your spiral around the pipe cleaner. Use your fingers to guide the spiral where you want it to go to create a realistic rose. Add dots of glue occasionally to help hold it together. Glue the last of the spiral in place near the bottom of the rose. Use the tip of your scissors to help you press the felt in place. If the bottom of your rose is too loose, you can turn it over, pinch it together, and glue it in place.



### Step 4: Add Leaves

Take your scraps of green felt, probably shaped like triangles from the petal rose method, or cut triangles and glue them under your rose.



### Step 5: Repeat to make more roses!