

# Sand Art Suggestions

## Getting Started

1. Make sure you start with a clean, dry, moisture free bottle.
2. Place funnel in the neck of the bottle, pick a color, & pour in about 2 spoonfuls of sand to make a layer.
3. Do not make sand layers less than  $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick. Thinner layers will smudge & mix together.
4. Repeat with as many colors as you want, holding the bottle firmly. Do not shake the bottle.
5. When the bottle is about halfway finished, gently tap on the top of the bottle with an item such as a ruler, pencil, wooden spoon, or our tapping tool. Tap...Tap...Tap...Gently! The Sand will settle. You will see the sand level go down.
6. Continue layering colors until you get all the way to the top. Let the sand overflow at the top.
7. Tap and fill the bottle again. **Packing the sand is the key to a long lasting Sand Art!**
8. When the bottle is completely full, use your finger to push down the sand in the bottle. Mound a pile of sand up like an anthill, and then screw on the cap tightly.
9. Have fun and treat your Sand Art Masterpiece like artwork. Do not shake it.



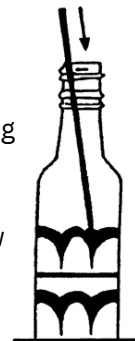
### Diagonal Layering

Tilt the bottle as you pour the layers. Hold the bottle more upright as the sand gets higher in the bottle.



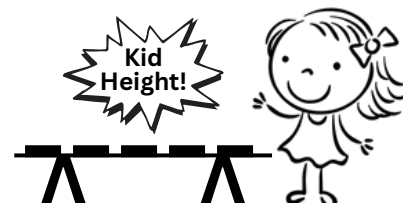
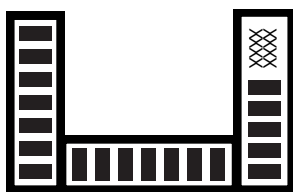
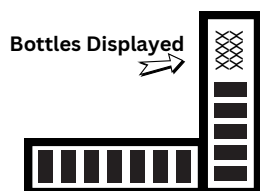
### Geometric Layering

Indentations are made by pushing a bamboo skewer like tool, against the bottle, down through the top layer into the layer below and pulling the point inwards towards the center.



## Running a Sand Art Booth

1. Keep bottles & sand dry! Watch out for thunderstorms, & try to keep the bottles out of direct sunlight. Be prepared to cover up. Put a few out of each design. Customers love to see a price & a sample bottle made up.
2. Here are some table set ups that work well. For a bigger setup, you can have 2-3 buckets of each color. The more buckets of sand you have, the more customers you can have creating at one time



The lower the tables, the better!

1. Place each color of sand several inches apart to prevent spillage into the other color beside it. There's always a "Dennis the Menace" in every crowd, so watch out for kids that mix the colors deliberately! If spillage does occur, just a little stirring will make it as good as new. Spillage will occur, no worries. You can sweep the excess sand that is spilled on the tables and make a "Rainbow" color of sand. The kids love it!
2. To eliminate confusion, one system is to keep the funnels out of reach. When a customer pays for their Sand Art Bottle, hand them a funnel. Have one helper overlook the bottle station. It helps to have this person take all of the money or tickets. They can also pass out the bottles & funnels. The other helpers can tap & pack the sand art bottles. (See #5-7 Above). Most events are only a few hours, so get as many people creating at one time. **Do not** put funnels in each color. This creates more spillage and is more time consuming because they have to keep stopping & starting. One funnel stays in the bottle for the entire project.
3. Before the customer leaves with their Sand Art Masterpiece, tell them to hold on tight & don't shake, so it will last forever! (Make sure to get your funnels after completion & pass back over to the starting area.)