

ELEGANT BUTTERFLY COLUMN

> Taught by CODY WILLIAMS Cody's Red Balloon

To keep assembly time to a minimum, gather the materials and read through the instructions before beginning.

# LABOR

About 45 minutes

### MATERIALS

- 32 5" Reflex Gold Sempertex latex balloons #51148
- 36 5" Reflex Violet Sempertex latex balloons #51144
- 36 5" Reflex Blue Sempertex latex balloons #51143
- 16 5" Reflex Key Lime Sempertex latex balloons #51142
- 1 24" Metallic Gold Sempertex latex balloon #59082
- 1 260 Reflex Violet Sempertex latex balloon #57344
- 1 260 Reflex Key Lime Sempertex latex balloon #57342
- 1 260 Reflex Blue Sempertex latex balloon #57343
- 20 12" LINK-O-LOON Metallic Gold Sempertex latex balloons #54082
- 3 24" Opal Butterfly Betallic foil balloons #25093



# MATERIALS

UGIu or other adhesive 15 lb. monofilament line

#### Framing (indoor)

- 1 Lamp stand or indoor base
- 1 5-foot <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" EMT

#### Framing (outdoor)

- 1 Heavy base plate
- 1 5-foot <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" EMT

## INSTRUCTIONS

**1.** Inflate four 12" Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> to 9" and combine them into a quad. Place this quad on the pole at the base.

**2.** Inflate four 12" Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> to 8" and combine them into a quad. Place this quad just above the quad made in Step 1.

**3.** Inflate four 12" Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> to 6.5" and combine them into a quad. Place this quad just above the quad made in Step 2.

**4.** Inflate 24 5" Reflex Blue balloons to 4.5", round out and tie into duplets. You will have 12 Reflex Blue duplets. Repeat with the Reflex Violet 5" balloons to make 12 Reflex Violet duplets.

**5.** Combine one Reflex Blue duplet and one Reflex Violet duplet to create 12 two-colored quads.

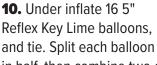


**6.** Place these quads on the pole in a zig-zag pattern as shown.

**7.** Inflate four 12" Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> to 6.5" and combine them into a quad. Place this quad just above the last quad from Step 6. **8.** Inflate four 12" Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> to 8" and combine them into a quad. Place this quad just above the quad made in Step 7.

**9.** Inflate a 24" Metallic Gold balloon to 22", and tie. Tie an uninflated 260 tightly above the knot of the 24" balloon. While holding the 24" balloon on top of the Column, wrap the 260 around the two

quads of LINK-O-LOON® at the top of the Column to secure.



in half, then combine two of these split 5" balloons to form a tight quad of balloons. You will have eight quads.

**11.** Repeat Step 10 with 12 5" Reflex Blue & 12 5" Reflex Violet

balloons to make six quads of each color.



**12.** Attach the Reflex Key Lime, Blue and Violet quads randomly to the ends of the Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> using the tip of the LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> to secure each quad. Trim any excess knots. NOTE: Make sure to evenly spread the colors on the design.





**13.** Air inflate the Opal Butterfly foil shapes. Use UGlu or another balloon adhesive to add the butterflies to the 24" balloon and the quads at the base of the design.

**14.** Tie one strand of 15-lb. monofilament line to each LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> tip on the top quad. Use the 5" split quads at the ends of the balloons to help secure the line. Cut the lines to a length that ends around the middle Metallic Gold LINK-O-LOON<sup>®</sup> quad on the bottom of the design. You will have a total of four strands.

**15.** Inflate eight 5" Reflex Gold balloons to 3", then squeeze the air to the end of each balloon and tie off. Tightly tie two of these onto each line at various heights. Trim the nozzles.

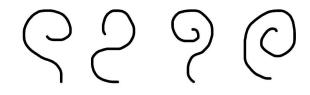
**16.** Just like in Step 10, underinflate 24 5" Reflex Gold balloons, and tie. Split each balloon in half, then combine two of these split 5" balloons to form a tight quad of balloons. You will have 12 quads. Attach three of these quads to each line, spacing them so the individual 5" on each line alternate with the three quads as shown.



**18.** Use UGlu or another latex-to-latex adhesive to attach the 260s to the topper to complete the desired look.



**17.** Fully inflate three Reflex 260s (Reflex Violet, Reflex Blue and Reflex Key Lime). Curl each 260 into a nice shape as shown below.



- PRO TIP --Make four Elegant Butterfly Columns and attach Cody's LINK-O-LOON Canopy (separate instruction sheet) to create a beautiful cake table backdrop or dancefloor treatment.





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