

SAINT LOUIS ART MUSEUM

Wee Wednesday: Creatures of Flight

Book: *Have You Ever Zeen a Ziz?* written by Linda Elovitz Marshall and illustrated by Kyle Reed

Art: [*Horus as a Falcon, Egyptian*](#)

[*Phoenix Standing on a Tortoise, Chinese*](#)

Flying Creature Paper Sculptures

Materials

- Paper of any size, shape, or color
- Drawing materials such as pencils, pens, markers, etc.
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- String (optional)



Instructions

- Fold a piece of paper in half. Draw an outline of the body of your creature against the fold. Cut out the body of your creature so you have a two-sided creature with a fold at the center.
- Fold the paper body of your creature in half again. Cut a small slit at the fold to be used to insert wings.
- Take another piece of paper and fold it back and forth to make an accordion fold. Slip this piece of paper into the slit you cut in the body of your creature to make the wings.
- Attach additional accordion folds or rolled-up paper to the end of your creature to create a tail. Attach a small folded triangle of paper to the front of your creature to create a beak.
- Use drawing materials to add details to your creature.
- If you would like, weave a piece of string through the slit in the body of your creature and tie a knot to create a loop to hang your flying creature in the air.

Additional Book Suggestions

[*Stellaluna* by Janell Cannon](#)

[*Make Way for Ducklings* by Robert McCloskey](#)