## Sempertex Celebration Pop!





New Years

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## Product Required:

- 1 x Anagram Roaring Twenties SuperShape 4043901
- 8 x Sempertex 5" Reflex Gold 20014169
- 8 x Sempertex 5" Fashion Black 20001988
- 4 x Sempertex 12" Reflex Gold 20014156
- 4 x Semperyex 12″ Graffiti Marble 20013466
- 19 x Sempertex 5" Crystal Clear 20002008
- 3 x Sempertex 12" Crystal Clear 20000784
- 2 x Sempertex 18" Crystal Clear 20002473
- 5 x Sempertex 260 Crystal Clear 20002842

Small Heavy Weight

Fine Monofilament

Stretchy Balloon Tape

Scraps of 260 for Tying

Estimated Labour time: 25 minutes.

## **Construction Method:**

- 1. Inflate the foil balloon with air.
- 2. Double-stuff the 4 12" Reflex Gold balloons into to 12" Graffiti marble balloons, inflate with air to 8" and tie into a cluster of 4.
- 3. Wrap the cluster around the tail of the foil balloon and twist several times to ensure the cluster is secure, and tight against the base of the foil. Add the small weight underneath to give stability.
- 4. Create 4 x clusters of 4 balloons, each containing  $2 \times 5''$  Reflex Gold and  $2 \times 5''$  Fashion Black. In each cluster, one balloon should be inflated to 4'' and the other three to 3''. The large balloon can be either colour.
- 5. Link 2 of the clusters with an uninflated clear 260, then pull through the base so that on cluster sits on either side, with the large balloon at the bottom. Repeat with the other 2 clusters, pulling through from front to back.
- 6. Inflate each of the Re¬flex Gold 260 balloons to about 8" in length. Tie individually. Pinch and stretch the uninflated tip of the balloon to soften it, then squeeze a little air up into the tip to create a "bobble". Push one of these balloons into each of the clusters of 5" balloons around the base as shown in the picture.
- 7. Inflate two 5" clear balloons fully, deflate to around 3", tie, and twist in half. Twist them together to form a mini-cluster. Secure the mini cluster to the top of the foil using a scrap of 260 held in place with stretchy balloon tape.
- 8. Create 3 bubble strings with the remaining clear 260 balloons. Tie them into the mini cluster, wrap them around each other and secure them down the side of the foil with stretchy balloon tape and scraps of 260.
- 9. Create a helium bouquet of "bubbles" from the 12" and 18" clear balloons, some containing 5" clear balloons, some with 5" clear balloons under. All flown on monofilament. Tie some air-filled 5" clear balloons to the monofilament at various places. (Tip better looking "bubbles" can be achieved by pre-stretching the balloons with air, then deflating before re-filling with helium. Squash the balloons to get a more spherical shape, tie close and tight to the body of the balloon and cut off the excess necks.)

10. Secure the bouquet to the top of the design by wrapping and tying the monofilaments through the mini cluster. Step-by-step videos demonstrating the "bobble" technique for the 260 balloons, and the creation of mini-clusters can be found on the Decorator Hub at amscan.co.uk. Click the link on the home page and go to "How-to Videos"!

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