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Making a Sistrum

Students will make instruments to be used in the play anther class. Students will make a Sistrum, an ancient Egyptian instrument used to play music. A Sistrum is a handheld percussion instrument, and makes a swooshing rattle when played. Students will learn about this ancient instrument, and each make their own.

Materials:

1. Y-shaped branch
2. colorful tape
3. thin wire
4. bottle caps, buttons

Students will select a branch, and adorn their branch with colored tape. Each student will select a handful of various bottle caps and buttons and thread them onto the stick. Wire will be attached to the sticks.

Resources:

Music:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bTRkCX_4YKo