

## FLOATING CUBE ILLUSION

Instructions/PDF created by Andrew Pinard. To view the effect, see the GIF at <a href="http://absomagic.com/floating-cube-project/">http://absomagic.com/floating-cube-project/</a>

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# "FLOATING CUBE" ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print out design (CUBE/TOWER STAND) on tabloid-sized paper (or reduce/enlarge as needed). Also needed: a large backing board printed or painted gray or black.

### **INVERTED CUBE**

- 2. Glue CUBE design on stiff backing such as mat board.\*
- 3. Cut out L-shaped checkerboard pattern along outer edges.
- 4. Valley fold checkerboard pattern along indicated two dotted lines and tape edges "A" & "B" together (on rear of design) to create three sides of a cube (design is on the inside of the cube).

### **TOWER STAND**

- 5. Print out design on tabloid-sized paper (or reduce/enlarge as needed).
- 6. Glue TOWER design on stiff backing such as mat board.\*
- 7. Cut out TOWER pattern along outer edges.
- 8. Valley fold TOWER pattern along indicated two dotted lines and tape edges "A" & "B" together to create three sides of a pedestal TOW-ER.

### FINAL ASSEMBLY

- 9. Set TOWER on table and nest three-sided corner of INVERTED CUBE into TOWER pedestal. Tape the cube to the pedestal.
- 10. Tape the base of the pedestal to the backing board between one third and one half of the way from one side of the board.

### TO DISPLAY

- 11. Hold backing board up and rotate as in the GIF. Viewer should close one eye and be at least six feet away for best effect.
- \*NOTE: Prior to gluing, I might recommend scoring backing material along "hinges"; alternatively backing material may be cut as three squares and taped together on face prior to gluing the designs to it.