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Instructions for Create Your Own Exhibit

Poetry and Power

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for downloading the exhibit *Poetry and Power*, based on an exhibit displayed at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, Boston. Inside the *Poetry and Power* folder on your computer desktop, you'll find everything you need to make this museum exhibit in almost any room. All you need now are visitors!

INSIDE THE *POETRY AND POWER* FOLDER

You should find a PDF, which is the document you're reading now, and another folder containing the exhibit's panels.

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WHAT YOU'LL NEED

The size of each Panel is 3 feet x 4 feet. Of course, you can print them at a smaller size. It's up to you and how much space you have.

To make the whole exhibit at full size you'll need the following:

1. 140 square feet of wall space
2. A printer or print shop that can handle 3' x 4' prints
3. 18 3' x 4' pieces of foam core, or other sturdy backing material
4. Spray mount or other adhesive
5. Wall tack, picture hooks and hanging wire, or other strategy for hanging your Panels

INSTRUCTIONS

Mounting your very own *Poetry and Power* exhibit is a cinch. All you have to do is print, glue and mount your Panels.

Follow these step-by-step instructions to make your exhibit:

1. Clear a space for your exhibit
2. Print each Panel, or have your local printer do it for you
3. Apply adhesive to one piece of foam core
4. Affix one Panel printout to the foam core:
 - a. Align one edge of a Panel printout to one edge of the foam core while holding the opposite edge in the air.
 - b. Working from the aligned edge, press the printout to the foam core as you lower the opposite edge.
 - c. Be careful not to trap air bubbles between the foam core and printout.
5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 for the remaining Panels.
6. Mount the panels on the walls of your exhibit space. Voila!

Don't forget to take photos of your exhibit and email them to JFK50@jfkfoundation.org. Then, in few days, check the Flickr mosaic on the Downloads and Resources page of JFK50.org. Your photo could be there.

TIPS

A few helpful ideas:

1. For a smaller exhibit try printing the Panels on a home printer, or print one or two at full size and scale down the rest.
2. Make sure to mount your panels at eye level, and give each one a little space from the next.
3. Click the tabs on the Downloads and Resources page of JFK50.org. There are lots of other resources you might want to include in your exhibit.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Further Reading

Clarke, Thurston. *Ask Not. The Inauguration of John F. Kennedy and the Speech That Changed America*. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2004.

Schlesinger, Robert. *White House Ghosts—Presidents and Their Speeches*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2008.

Sorensen, Ted. *Counselor—A Life at the Edge of History*. New York: Harper Collins Publishers, 2008.

Sorensen, Theodore C. *Kennedy*. New York: Smithmark Publishers Inc., 1965.

Tofel, Richard J. *Sounding the Trumpet—The Making of John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Address*. Chicago: Ivan R. Dee, Publisher, 2005.

Online Resources

The Writing of the Inaugural Address / Kennedy Library Forum Series (Jan. 11, 2009)
<http://forum-network.org/lecture/writing-inaugural-address>

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