Quick Start Checklist

Use this page to set up your shared craft space in one afternoon.

Open and Close Method

Every item has a home inside a container

Keep the number of active containers small

Make cleanup a 5 minute checklist

One-Afternoon Setup

Do a 15 minute tidy up

Sort by project family: sewing, paper, paint, tools

Measure storage zones (width x depth x height)

Pick stackable craft storage containers with lids

Add wheels: use a craft storage cart or trolley

Label everything with plain words and big letters

Shared Table Safety

Use a table protector or large cutting mat

Keep paint and glue in a lidded box on lower cart shelf

Use a small landing pad for phone and glasses

Notes

Storage Planner and Measurements

Measure your hidden zones and assign containers that fit. Zones and Sizes Under-bed area Width (in) Depth (in) Height (in) Width (in) Depth (in) Height (in) Closet floor Width (in) Depth (in) Height (in) Closet top shelf Width (in) Depth (in) Height (in) Beside desk Width (in) Depth (in) Height (in) Behind door corner **Container Assignments** Shallow bins for fabric Lidded shoebox for paints 12x12 paper cases Over-door organizer for smalls Handled caddy for tools Rolling 3-tier cart **Label Planner** Bin Label 1 Bin Label 2 Bin Label 3 Bin Label 4 **Project Bins** Sewing + fabric Paints, glue, finishes Paper, vinyl, stickers Tools and mixed items Notes

Daily and Weekly Routines

Use quick routines to switch from craft time to everyday use fast.

3 Minute Setup

Roll out craft storage cart

Place handled caddy on table

Put one project bin on your left

Place a trash bag on your right

Start timer for your craft block

5 Minute Reset

Return tools to the caddy

Put scraps in the labeled scrap bin

Wipe the mat and table

Close project bin and stack it

Roll the cart back to its spot

Weekly Organization Planner

Mon: Pick one bin to finish Fri: Plan weekend time block

Tue: 10 minute declutter Sat: Craft time: 3 minute setup

Wed: Wash cups and brush caddies Sun: Reset and rest

Thu: Prep fabric: iron and cut

This Week's Focus Bin	Craft Block Time
Notes	

Shopping & Inventory Track what you have and what to buy. Inventory Checklist 4 clear bins (12–16 qt) Over-the-door organizer 3-tier rolling cart Fold-in-half table Two 12×12 paper cases Label tape or printable labels Handled tool caddy Shopping List

Suggestion: Fabric Scraps under 8 inches

Suggestion: Paint and Brushes

Ready-to-Use Label Ideas

Suggestion: Thread and Bobbins

Suggestion: Paper 12x12