## **Doodle Lou's**

# PAPER MUSHROOMS

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#### Materials for each mushroom:

1 fairly straight twig

- 8" circle of brown craft paper (paper lunch bags work well)

A 4" x 4" square of cardboard

Hot glue (Adult use only)

Hot glue sticks

Model magic (I used white)

Optional:

Tempera or Acrylic paint

Paint brush

Circular stickers

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Cut a twig to your preferred size.
- 2. Make a ball of Model Magic self-hardening clay and press it in the center of the cardboard, squeezing the outside edges flat.
- 3. Push the twig into the center of the Model Magic ball. (Illus. #1)
- 4. Squeeze the opening of the clay ball closed around the twig.
- 5. Allow the clay to dry overnight. Check to see if the Model Magic is adhered to the cardboard. If not glue it to the cardboard.
- 6. Crumple the brown Kraft paper circle and unfold it.
- 7. Start rolling the edges under all the way around a couple of times until the cap is the size you prefer. (Illus. #2)
- 8. Hot glue the cap to the stick (stem). (Illus. #3)

### **OPTIONAL:**

- 1. Paint the cap. Let it dry.
- 2. Decorate the cap with circular stickers. (Illus. #4)



Illus #4.



Illus #1



Illus. #2



Illus #3