

## Easter Lily

Unlike most flowers this handprint Easter lily will not wilt or shrivel. You can make just one handprint lily or you and your family can make a whole bunch and create a centerpiece or bouquet. For more craft activities and ideas, please visit us at [www.signingtime.com](http://www.signingtime.com) or [www.signingtimekids.org](http://www.signingtimekids.org).

### Materials Needed:

- White construction paper (1)
- Yellow pipe cleaner (1)
- Green pipe cleaners (3)
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue
- Your child's hand!

### Book Link:

*"It's Spring"* by Samantha Berger

*"When Spring Comes"* by Robert Maass



### Time to Create!

**Step 1:** Using your sheet of white construction paper, trace your child's handprint twice. If you are able to get only one hand traced, then you can cut out that handprint and use it to trace the second handprint in case you have a wiggly child. You or your child can then cut out the handprints. Holding the cut out handprints, bring the pinky fingers and thumbs together so they overlap creating a sort of cup at the base of the Lily. Glue one set of the overlapped fingers or thumbs and allow a few minutes to dry.

**Step 2:** Before you glue the last set of fingers, take your yellow pipe cleaner along with a pair of scissors and make two small letter "V's" with it. Fold over the tips of each yellow pipe cleaner. These will be the stamen in the center of your lily.

**Step 3:** Now that you have your stamen in place, take your green pipe cleaners, using 3 or 4, and braid or twist them together to make a thick stem. Then bend the tips of the braided or twisted green pipe cleaners over the yellow stamen (at the base) to fasten them together. Put the stamen into place in the center of the lily. Now you can overlap the last set of fingers or thumbs, and glue them into place.

**Step 4:** Finally, you will want to curl the finger part of the lily away from the stamen. Curl them outward. You might like to lightly wrap each paper finger around your finger to create a soft bend to complete your lily. Now you have a beautiful Easter lily!

