Instructions for Qualatex® Classic Clown Stand-up

To keep assembly time to a minimum, gather the materials and read through the instructions before beginning.

Classic Clown Stand-up

Labor: About 15 Minutes Materials:

- 1 16" (41cm) "Classic Clown Face" White Latex Balloon 85741
- 2 16" Citrine Yellow Latex Balloons 43860
- 1 16" Sapphire Blue Latex Balloon 43900
- 2 11" (28cm) Ruby Red Latex Balloons 43792
- 2 11" White Latex Balloons 43802
- 5 5" (13cm) Sapphire Blue Latex Balloons 43602
- 1 5" Ruby Red Latex Balloon 43601

10 646Q Giant Airship Ruby Red Latex Balloons 75456 2 646Q Giant Airship Sapphire Blue Latex Balloons 75454 2 646Q Giant Airship Citrine Yellow Latex Balloons 75457 2 260Q Sapphire Blue Latex Balloons 43959 Sand Weight, Cool Glue, & Glue Dot™ Adhesive Paper Party Hat (Available from The Beistle[®] Company at 717-532-2135.)

Instructions:

1. Make the sand weight with the Sapphire Blue 16" latex balloon filled to softball size, then flattened on the bottom. To make the "feet," air inflate two Sapphire Blue 646Q balloons, leaving about 2" (5cm) uninflated. Tie the balloons together to make a duplet, then tie the uninflated tips

together. Twist the two sets of knots together to make a figure eight. 2. Air inflate two 16" Citrine Yellow balloons to 9" (23cm) and tie into a duplet. Tie the duplet into the middle of the figure eight from Step 1. Tie the sand weight around the middle of the figure eight. NOTE: For best results, always use a sand weight rather than a water weight. Wedge the Citrine Yellow balloons into the figure eight's loops and secure with cool glue.

3. Air inflate two Ruby Red 646Qs to 36" (91cm) each, then tie the necks together to make a duplet. Repeat to make another duplet. Inflate one more 646Q and tie it into the second duplet. Wrap the two sets together to make a 5-balloon cluster. Tie the necks to the sand weight and feet. **NOTE: All balloons must be inflated to the same size for the Stand-up to remain upright.**

4. Create another 5-balloon cluster with 36" Ruby Red 646Qs. NOTE: All balloons must be inflated to the same size for the Stand-up to remain upright.

To keep Character Stand-ups looking fresh for
a week or more, coat all balloons with Balloon
Shine™ latex balloon treatment.
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- parties, circus theme parties, and more!
 For perfectly sized 646Qs, use a Conwin Dual Split-Second Sizer Inflator.
 - Decorate your display windows with longlasting Character Stand-ups for every occasion and holiday.

Original design by Chris Horne, CBA & ICSF, of Christopher Horne -Professional Balloon Decorations, Northampton, England. **5.** Flatten the first 646Q cluster, then lay the second cluster on top of it, rotating the top cluster 60 degrees.

6. Bring the tips of the first 646Q cluster up and tie them together. Then, bring the tips of the second 646Q cluster up and tie them together.

7. Air inflate two 11" Ruby Red balloons to 6" (15cm) and tie. Wedge one balloon into the bottom 646Q cluster, and the other into the top cluster to hide the 646Q balloon knots.

8. For the "head," air inflate the "Classic Clown Face" balloon to a pleasing size, and tie it to the

knot on the top 646Q cluster. Qualatex latex balloons naturally inflate to a pleasant teardrop shape. To ensure this shape, place the neck roll of the balloon *slightly* onto the inflation tip. Slowly fill the balloon, until it begins to taper at the bottom and form a "chin." **NOTE:** Avoid holding the balloon neck high up, as it will result in a "basketball-shaped" head. Inflate a 5" Ruby Red balloon to 3" (7.6cm), tie, then trim the neck. Use a Glue Dot to attach the Ruby Red balloon to the head for the "nose."

9. Inflate five 5" Sapphire Blue balloons to 4" (10cm) and tie into a cluster for a "collar." Push the cluster between the intersection of the top 646Q cluster and the head, twisting

two of the 5" balloons around each other to secure. **10.** To make the "arms," inflate two Citrine Yellow 646Qs to about 20" (51cm) then tie into a duplet. Thread the arms through the top 646Q cluster, and push them up close to the neck. Curve each balloon slightly to create "elbows."

11. To make the "gloves," air inflate two 11" White balloons to 5" and tie them to the ends of the arms. Create two 6-petal flowers with Sapphire Blue 260Qs (see right), and wedge them between the arms and the gloves for "cuffs." Glue the paper party hat to the Clown's head.

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6-Petal Flower

Fully inflate a 260Q, let out a fair amount of air, and tie it. Tie the two ends of the balloon together to make a loop. Find the point directly opposite the knot, and make a twist there so you have two bubbles of equal length. Divide the balloon into thirds, and twist the two bubbles together to make three equal sections (see below). Fold the sections together to make a "Z" fold (see below). Push the twists on opposite sides of the cluster together and twist to make six loops, or petals.



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