

LOON LAKE LIVE

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Make Your Own Hose Horn!

What you'll need:

1. A length of tubing - cheap garden hose will do
2. A funnel - the broader the flare the better
3. A brass plumbing fitting - bore large enough to fit around your lips but small enough to fit inside the tubing/hose
4. Scissors sharp enough to cut through the tubing/hose
5. Possibly some duct tape - Hello Kitty recommended, for fanciness purposes

How to build it:

**CAUTION: USE A HOSE THAT ISN'T IMPORTANT TO YOUR GARDENING...
SUPER CAUTION: GET HELP CUTTING THE HOSE!! FINGERS ARE ESSENTIAL.**

1. Measure your tubing to 12 ft for a horn in F like a French horn. Otherwise feel free to experiment with other lengths!
2. VERY CAREFULLY cut the hose so that both ends are open
3. Fit the slender end of your funnel into one end of the hose. If it's loose, use some duct tape to hold it in place.
4. Fit the smaller end of your brass fitting into the other end of the hose. If it's too snug, you may need to make small snips at the end of the hose to allow it to fit. If it's too loose, return to your duct tape solution!
5. OPTIONAL: for more control over your hose horn, coil it up to the size you like and then wrap it in a couple places with duct tape to keep it from uncoiling.

How to play it:

PRO TIP: YouTube is a friendly go-to resource for basic instruction but a brass instrument specialist is well worth your investment! :)

1. Take a deep breath.
2. Purse your lips together with a medium amount of pressure.
3. Push the air out past your pursed lips while trying to hold that pressure. If you're making a super rude buzzing sound you're doing it right!
4. Repeat steps 1-3 and this time bring the brass fitting AKA mouthpiece up to encircle the outside of your lips so they buzz inside the fitting. Now your super rude sound should become extra loud as a result!
5. Experiment with different amounts of pressure on your lips to get higher or lower pitches. Just keep buzzing!