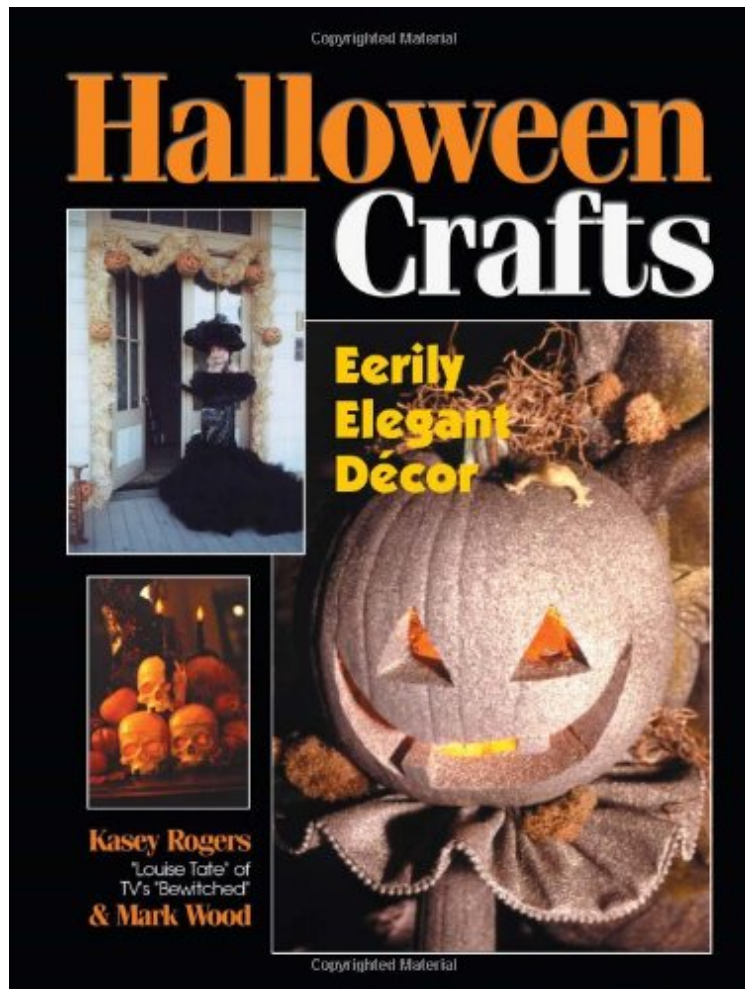


## Halloween Crafts: Eerily Elegant Decor

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**Kasey Rogers, Mark Wood : Halloween Crafts: Eerily Elegant Decor** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Halloween Crafts: Eerily Elegant Decor:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A Welcome Addition to My LibraryBy MeII went through a phase where I ordered a ton of Halloween books. It's my favorite holiday, after all, and I enjoy flipping through books on the topic year 'round. However, I've been disappointed in many of the books I've ordered. Some are too childish (fine if you're looking for projects to do w/ your kids -- I don't have any), some are too lame. This is not one of the disappointments -- it's a favorite.The book's title is pretty accurate. It offers several themes for grown-up, but not gory, parties. I was actually pleasantly surprised by how many projects appealed to me: not entire themes, but several individual projects.It's rare to find a book like this that isn't a digest of previously-published magazine articles. (The Halloween: The Best of Martha Stewart Living book is the only one of this style that I like (I own several).) One of the most annoying things about Halloween books is buying one, then finding out that you've seen every suggestion in a

magazine (and weren't all that impressed the first time). As far as I know, this is a "from scratch" book, meaning that the book is the only place you'll find these projects. I like it, because the projects are different from what I've seen in other Halloween Craft/Decorating books. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good, but it tries hard to disguise the fact! By Lothdoren Since I live in Australia, and Halloween isn't a big deal here, I was looking for something inspirational with clear how-tos to get started with. When I first received this book I was disappointed, but it really started to grow on me! I actually ended up basing most of my decorating on ideas in this book, but I didn't realise it at first! The photos are grainy, and some of the instructions aren't all that clear, but once you get past that, it's not too bad! It has some good ideas for a Halloween first-timer like me, that will actually look a lot better than the photos in the book lead you to believe. Be warned though - most of the ideas involve pumpkins or gourds in one way or another! What this book really needs is a makeover - new photos, and a little re-working on some of the instructions, and it would be great. If glossy photos are your thing, skip this and try Martha Stewart's Halloween book instead, but this one is really a diamond in the rough. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Halloween Crafts: Eerily Elegant Decor by Kasey Rogers By Suzee This is an excellent book, full of ideas and easy to understand instructions on how to create each project. Kasey Rogers was "Mrs. Tate" on the original "Bewitched" and she and Mark Wood (actor/singer/artist) have put together a wonderfully elegant (if you prefer elegance and mystique over skulls and horror Halloween . . . and I do) book. I also have another book by these authors as well: "Create a Bewitched Fall-o-ween: 45 Projects for Decorating and Entertaining." Special note to : Thank you for going above and beyond to find this book for me.

Within these colourful pages, readers will find fifty beautiful, vintage looking Halloween crafts and party recipes and learn how to use them to create a special holiday. Detailed, step-by-step instructions allow all crafters to create these unique projects, including "Instant Ancestors" (faux gravestones) and a scarecrow wreath -- many could even become family heirlooms. Most projects are quick and simple, requiring not much more than a glue gun, sewing and painting. More than 100 beautiful photos show the finished craft as well as guide the reader throughout the creation process. Features: 50 upscale, beautiful, vintage looking Halloween crafts and party recipes; Stunning photos and detailed illustrations; Anecdotes about Halloween past and present.

.com As a regular on TV's Bewitched, Kasey Rogers (Louise Tate) has the right pedigree to produce Halloween Crafts: Eerily Elegant Decor. She and coauthor Mark Wood have dreamed up some pretty innovative approaches to such timeworn Halloween delights as pumpkin carving, table decorating, and party giving. Rather than limit carving to traditional orange pumpkins, they offer devilish red imps made of bumpy gourds and green glow-stick eyes, or a jaunty goblin king carved of green hubbard squash. A decrepit old butler figure presides over the "graveyard tea," and the "harvest of skulls" centerpiece features a tower of grinning plastic skulls topped with drippy black (electric) candles. A quartet of simple recipes makes up the "Boo-fey," along with two versions of punch contributed by another Bewitched alumnus, Bernard Fox (Dr. Bombay). The home-snapshot quality of the photographs is the one weak spot in this otherwise commendable book. Still, enough details are generally visible to help clarify the occasionally confusing directions, and the step-by-steps are mostly adequately explained. A source list provides contact information for the harder-to-find items. --Amy Handy