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HAUNTED CLOCKS

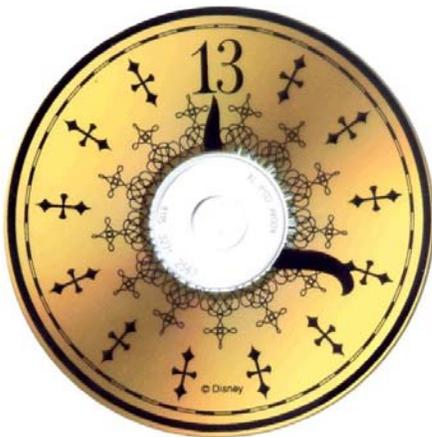
How It Started Out:

Attention to detail is always the key. A haunted clock is the perfect quick and easy prop that helps add a small measure of fear to any room. The reason for this is simple, clocks are common, everyday items that can be found in every room of the house, and it is one item that can draw a persons attention right to itself.

IDEA 1

Create Your Own 'Disney's Haunted Mansion' Clock

- STEP 1 -



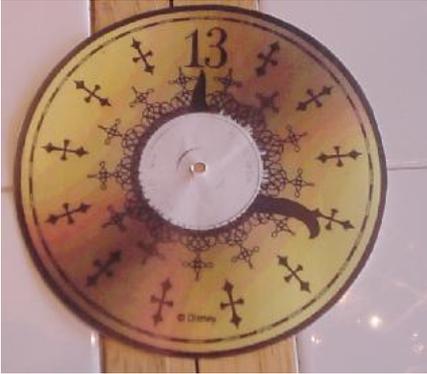
Print the image of Disneys Haunted Mansion clock.
Special thanks to Wraith of the HOWL/Halloween-L list
for supplying the image!

- STEP 2 -

Re-size the image in Windows Paintbrush to the approximate size of your clock and print out on a color printer.

Obtained from
Omarshauntedtrail.com

- STEP 3 -



Cut out the image and poke out a hole in the dead center using a needle.

- STEP 4 -



REMOVE THE BATTERY OR UNPLUG THE CLOCK !

- STEP 5 -



Then carefully remove the faceplate,

- STEP 6 -



EVEN MORE CAREFULLY remove the second hand, then the minute hand, then the hour hand.

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- STEP 7 -



Place some looped scotch tape (if you don't want to ruin your clock) or glue (if this is a permanent prop) on the clocks face at the hours of 12 - 3 - 6 - 9. Slide the image of the clocks face onto the clock, with the axel that the hands were on going thru the hole you made in the image. Press down on the image firmly to attach to the scotch tape or glue.

- STEP 8 -



Carefully place back in this order-the hour hand, the minute hand, then the second hand. Replace the faceplate and then replace the battery or plug the clock back in.

- STEP 9 -



Display your clock, step back and enjoy ! If you feel the hands are too 'dark' try painting them with glow-in-the-dark paint and color in the clock numerals with a yellow highlighter and illuminate with a black light. (Quick haunter tidbit - Things written in yellow highlighter glow under backlight.)

- **NOTE:** To make this effect EVEN more interesting, instead of using the standard clock, purchase a backwards running clock and/or combine it with the other effects listed - like using Tiny Tim arms for clock hands!



IDEA 2

Take a normal cuckoo clock and replace the bird with a tiny skull that pops out and screams on the hour. The tiny Tim skull can be purchased at Boneyard Bargains

Some additional work would be required to make the event trigger every two minutes instead of every hour.

IDEA 3 A

Take a normal pendulum clock, which can be purchased at Scientific Surplus and replace the pendulum with a small hanged man. (A child's action figure toy can be used with some burlap wrapped around the head and string tying his hands behind its back.)

IDEA 3 B

Take that same pendulum clock and instead of a hanged man figure, use a tiny Tim skeleton from Boneyard Bargains as a pendulum. Use a second tiny Tim skeletons arms as the hands of the clock.

IDEA 4

Make a clock that runs REALLY fast (about 1 minute clock time per 1 second real time) (This would be good for any Twilight Zone / Time Machine Room) Now, before someone speaks up and says 'REPLACE THE CLOCK MECHANISM WITH A FASTER MOTOR', that's a tricky proposition at best. Now someone is going to say 'CHANGE THE GEARS' but have you TRIED to change the gears of a clock? Well, I have and it is darn near impossible. The best solution that I have tried was gluing the minute hand on top of the second hand, trimming the excess off the second hand and moving the hour hand to the minute hand location, (some epoxy was required) but there is one drawback to this process in that you no longer have a second hand.

IDEA 5

A backwards running clock -> now these DO exist, but they have the numbers on the clock face backwards as well (Please see pic below...) so it can still be a useable clock, so you will need to purchase a normal clock that has **exactly the same size clock face** and switch the faces of the two clocks. This will give you two clocks where their behavior isn't 'normal.' Very creepy effect too when they are placed side by side.

IDEA 6

An L.E.D. clock that will flash KILL, DIE, FEAR and other short words about once every 30 seconds.

Luckily, Fantazein makes a clock that can do just this, which can be purchased below.

IDEA 7

A clock with 'Dancing' hour and minute hands swaying in beat to the song 'Lets do the Time Warp Again' Just hide a tape player in infinite loop with the song playing, and rip out the clock mechanism entirely and replace with a small motor that oscillates back and forth (like a metronome.)