

# ĀKAU

## Kaupapa: Pou Rama - Teina

## Papamahi

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### Activity:



### Task 01: Shaping

Using the light clay, twist off a small portion of clay (approx 1/3) and set aside for later.

Build a cylinder shape with your clay by starting with a ball shape rolled between your hands, then push your thumb into the middle and pinch around in a round shape to stretch into a tall cylinder shape. Try to keep the cylinder thickness of your clay consistent while shaping with your fingers so that it doesn't collapse.

Shape into your preferred pourama shape allowing room for a flicker led candle light to stand inside and add twig feet to form the base of your pou.

### Task 02: Mark Making

Use mark marking tools such as a skewer or popsicle stick to add marks or tohu, make holes for light to glow. Have other tools handy such as butter knives or cookie cutters to punch shapes out to add. Use some of your clay to add extra patterns or designs onto your pourama shape.

Leave in safe area where it will remain undisturbed for 2 days of air drying.

### Task 03: Takaro! Miharo!

Take a fun photo with your pou rama and upload it to the Toi Marama 2022 Miharo on the ĀKAU Website! ([www.akau.co.nz/kete/toi-marama-2022#miharo](http://www.akau.co.nz/kete/toi-marama-2022#miharo))

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### **Tangible Outcomes:**

1x Light clay pou.

### **Materials:**

1x Black card or corflute

2x Kookie light clay (2 colours)

2x tool (clay tool or BBQ skewer)

1x Candle light

### **Kaiako Notes:**

Use the templates in the Pataka on the ĀKAU website  
- Design Kete to trial your first mini Pou Rama.  
([www.akau.co.nz/kete/pou-rama-light-posts](http://www.akau.co.nz/kete/pou-rama-light-posts))

Shape the clay around the light to make a strong base for your pou.

### Key Dates:

#### Mahi Toi Due:

- 20th June: Make sure to upload your photos to [www.akau.co.nz/kete/toi-marama-2022#miharo](http://www.akau.co.nz/kete/toi-marama-2022#miharo)

#### Exhibition Days:

- 5th July: Taumarere Exhibit
- 7th July: Kaikohe Exhibit
- 9th July: Hokianga Exhibit

More details soon!

### Awhi and resources:

Check out the ĀKAU Design Kete for more learning resources at: [www.akau.co.nz/kete](http://www.akau.co.nz/kete)

