

PINATA: STAR

OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

Repository:	Crandall Public Library. Folklife Center Glens Falls, NY.
Creator:	Amilcar Garcia, Hampton, Washington, New York and Colotenango, Guatemala
Title:	Pinata: Star
Dates:	2016
Quantity:	1 item
Identification:	Folk Art

NOTE

A piñata is a container often made of papier-mache, pottery or cloth; it is decorated, and filled with small toys, or candy, or both, and then broken as part of a ceremony or celebration. The star shape, or ball with points, still remains popular for the Christmas season, but for other events, traditional designs for children, such as donkeys, have been almost entirely replaced by cartoon characters based on U.S. movies and television shows. This piñata was purchased for the Folklife Gallery exhibit, *The Dream of America: Separation and Sacrifice in the Lives of North Country Latino Immigrants*, 2016.

INDEX TERMS

Topics:	Pinata Latino customs
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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT

The piñata star is about 20 inches in diameter, and is made of papier-mache, crepe paper, aluminum foil, string, and paint.