

# User MANUAL

*The Paint Caddy/Sound Prompt Kit*

**Art Tools Project**

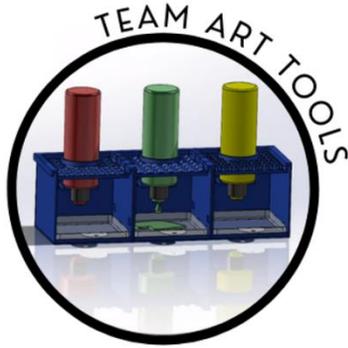
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## User's Manual Authorization Memorandum

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## **1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION**

## A. GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1.1 Acknowledgements

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The University of Kansas School of Engineering is also owed a thank you for providing us the opportunity to work on projects that impact the lives of everyone involved.

### 1.2 Acronyms and Abbreviations

KU:	University of Kansas
BREAK:	Biomechanical Rehabilitation Engineering Advancement in Kansas
JCDS:	Johnson County Developmental Supports

### 1.3 System Overview

An assistive art device for visually impaired individuals:

For many artists with visual impairments, painting is an activity that relies heavily on the assistance of a helper. Currently, there are devices that are used to help in this area, however improvements to these devices can be made. JCDS, in partnership with BREAK, commissioned the construction of a device that would not only help a visually impaired person paint, but also offer them independence when painting.

## 1.4 Project References

### 1.4.1 Sound Kit User Manuals

- Mp3\_Player\_User\_Manual
- Speaker\_User\_Manual

### 1.4.2 Paint Caddy CAD Drawings

- Drawing\_Package

### 1.4.3 List of Suppliers

- Art\_Tools\_BoM

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## **2.0 SYSTEM SUMMARY**

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Contained within this project are two parts: the Paint Caddy and the Sound Prompt Kit.

### **Paint Caddy:**

This is a modular system that currently contains three modules with the possibility for more. Each module holds a standard 8oz. paint bottle upside down so that the paint can be squeezed into removable tray below. The surface that the bottle fits into has a unique texture to denote the color of the paint. Each bottle is fitted with a leak-proof, air-tight lid. These modules can be fit together for a minimum assembly of three modules.

### **Sound Prompt Kit:**

The sound prompt kit consists of an MP3 player and a small speaker. A micro SD card that holds the Sound Prompt Track is inserted into the MP3 Player. The track is a 30 minute-long loop prompting the user to add paint to the brush, pick a new color, and pick a new brush at varying intervals.

## **3.0 Sound Prompt Kit**

## **C. SOUND PROMPT KIT**

*This section provides an overview of the setup and use of the sound prompt device.*

### **3.1 Setup & Use**

- 1) Charge both speaker and MP3 player using the provided charging cables
- 2) Attach the speaker to the MP3 player and turn on using the center button on the bottom
- 3) Turn on the MP3 player by pressing and holding the center button until the light-up display turns on
- 4) To find the uploaded track, scroll to the side by pushing the right or left button until the icon for SD Card is visible.
- 5) Scroll down to “Songs” and click on the first track
- 6) When finished, turn off speaker by pressing on the bottom center button, and the center button of the MP3 player. The two devices can then be stored attached together or separately.

### **3.2 Troubleshooting**

*For troubleshooting, see MP3 Player Manual or Speaker Manual included in the provided USB drive*

### **3.3 Future Work**

Tracks were made using Audacity, a sound mixing software. New tracks can be made using it by copying the portion of the tracks that are desirable and pasting them in a new track. The new track must be exported as a WAV file, titled, and then added to the micro SD card. An SD card adapter is required and included. Take the micro SD card out of the MP3 player and slide into the SD card adapter and plug into a computer. Then add the desired track to the Music folder on the SD card.

**4.0 Paint Caddy**

## D. PAINT CADDY

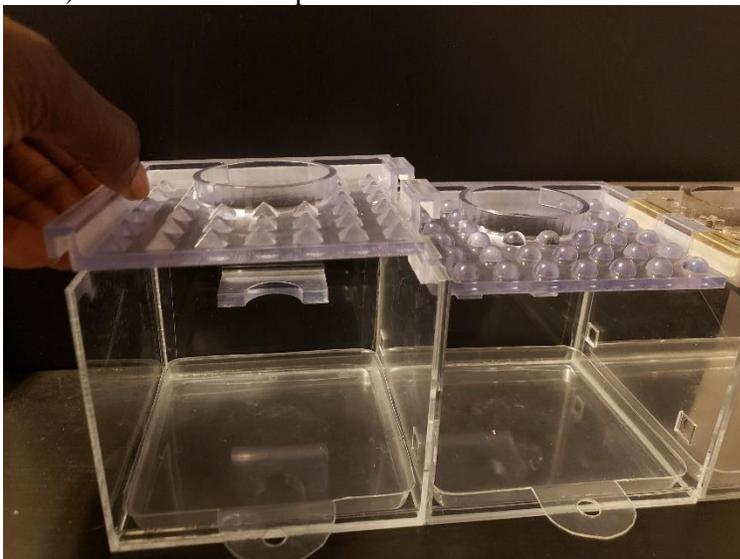
*This section provides an overview of the setup of the paint caddy device.*

### 4.1 Setup & Use

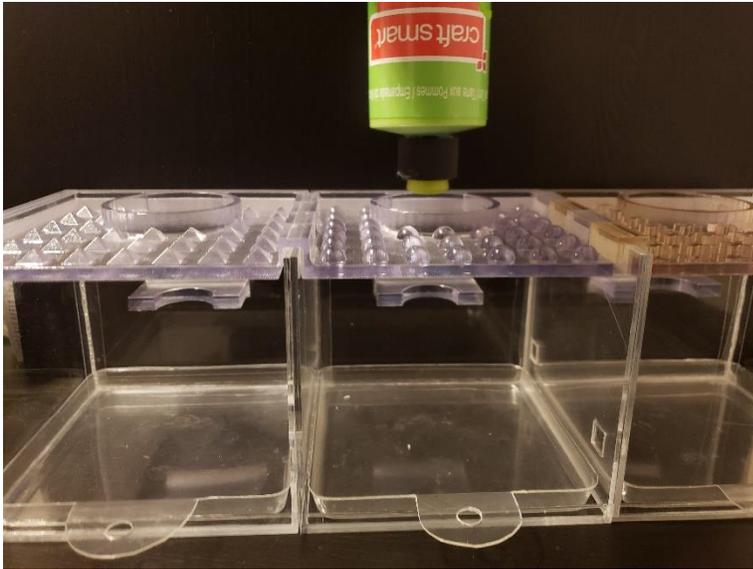
- 1) Connect the modules if stored separately



- 2) Place textured top onto module wall



- 3) Fit the paint bottles into the tops of each module



4) Feel textured top to differentiate different colors



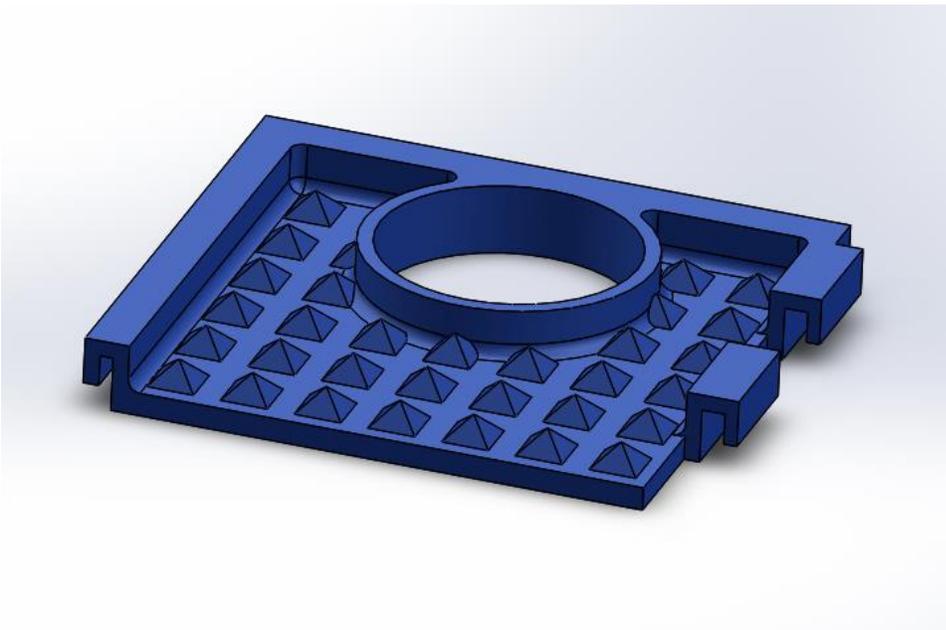
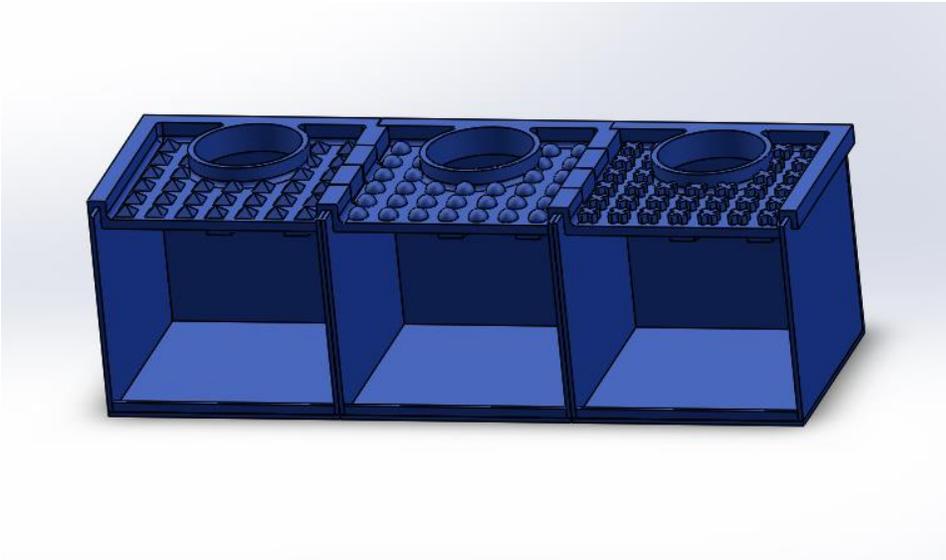
5) Squeeze desired paint into trays



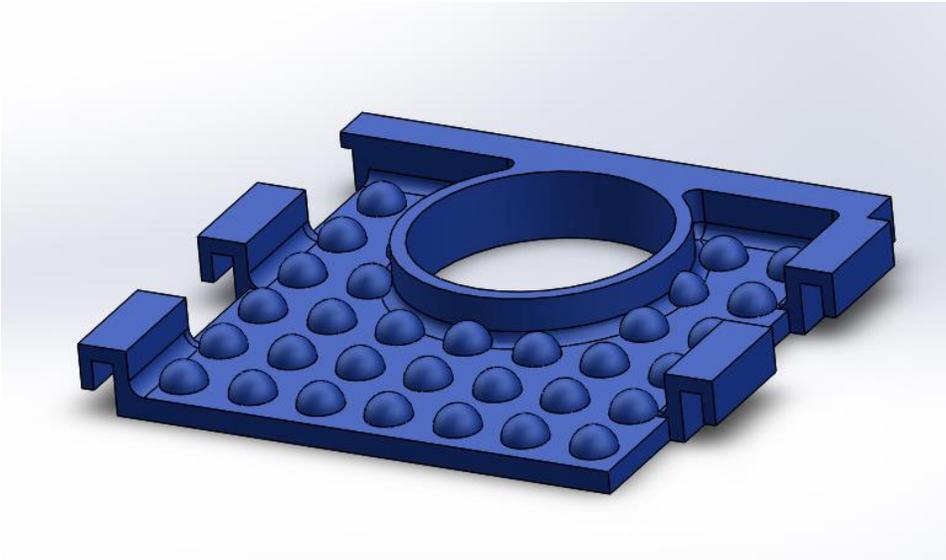
6) Remove trays for easy clean-up



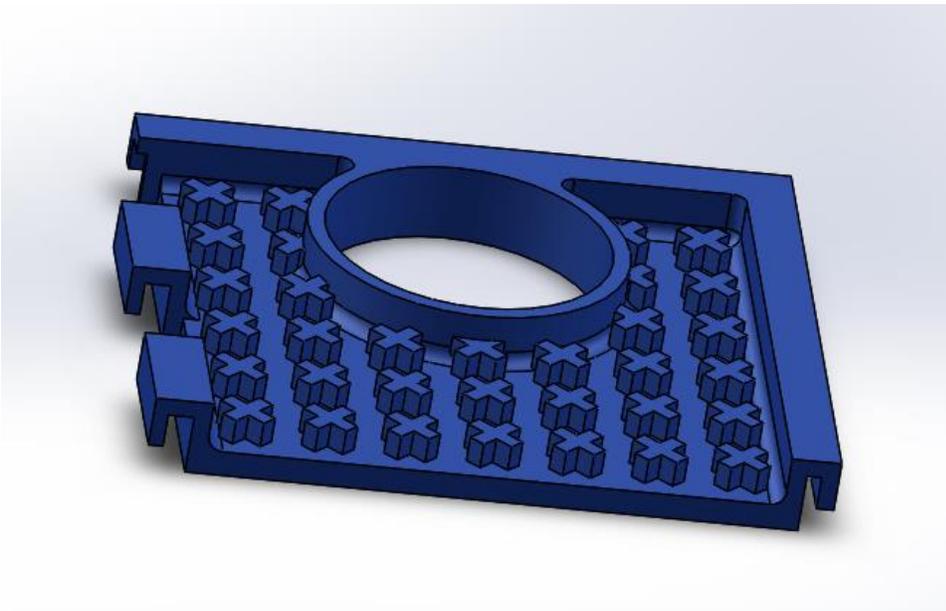
## 4.2 Drawing Sheets



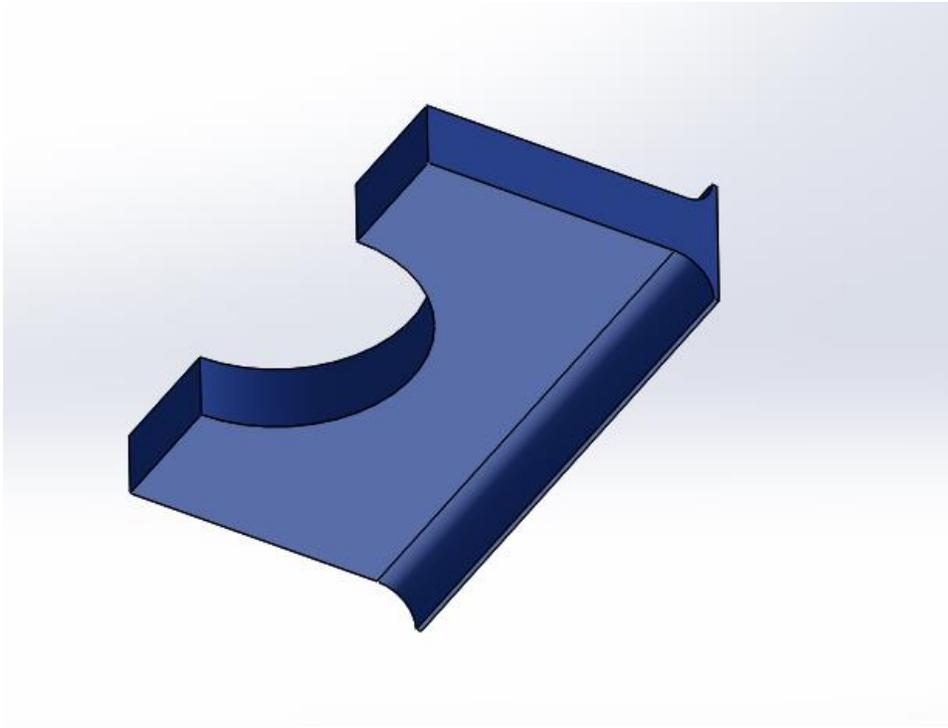
Top plate part 1, Pyramid shape



Top plate part 2. Round shape



Top plate part 3, Cross shape

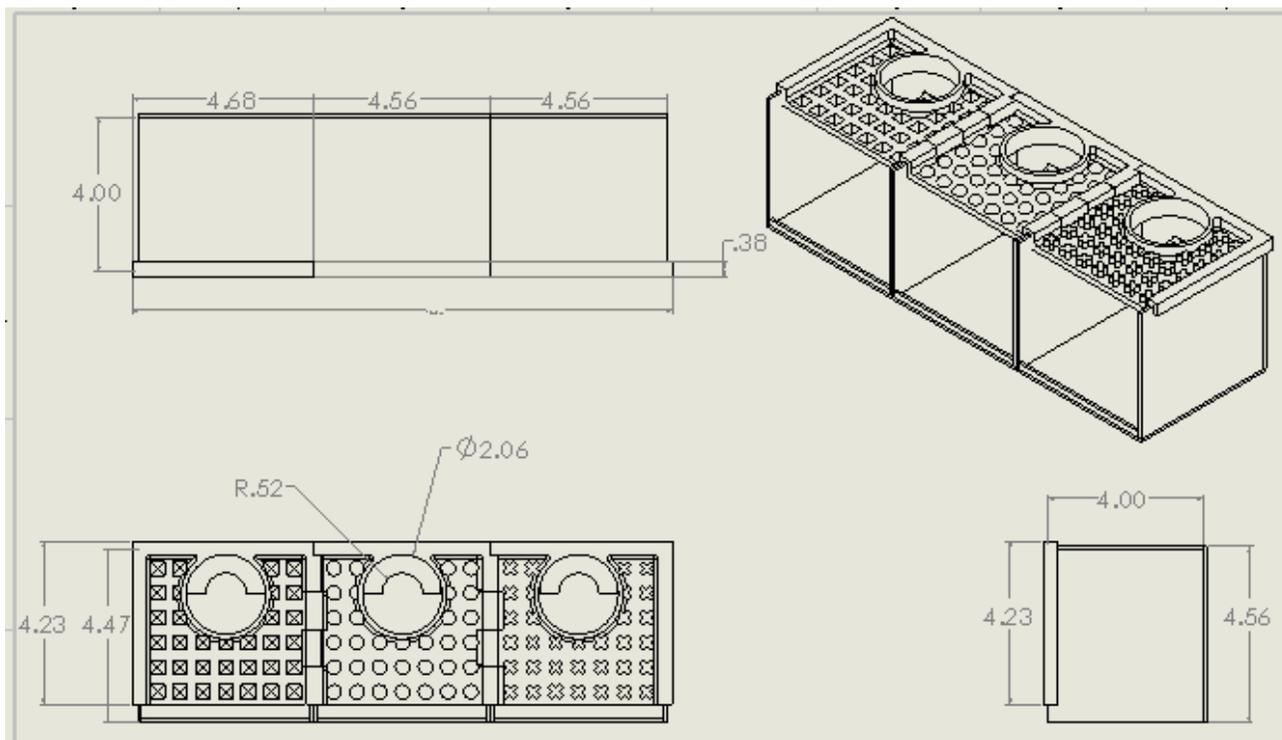


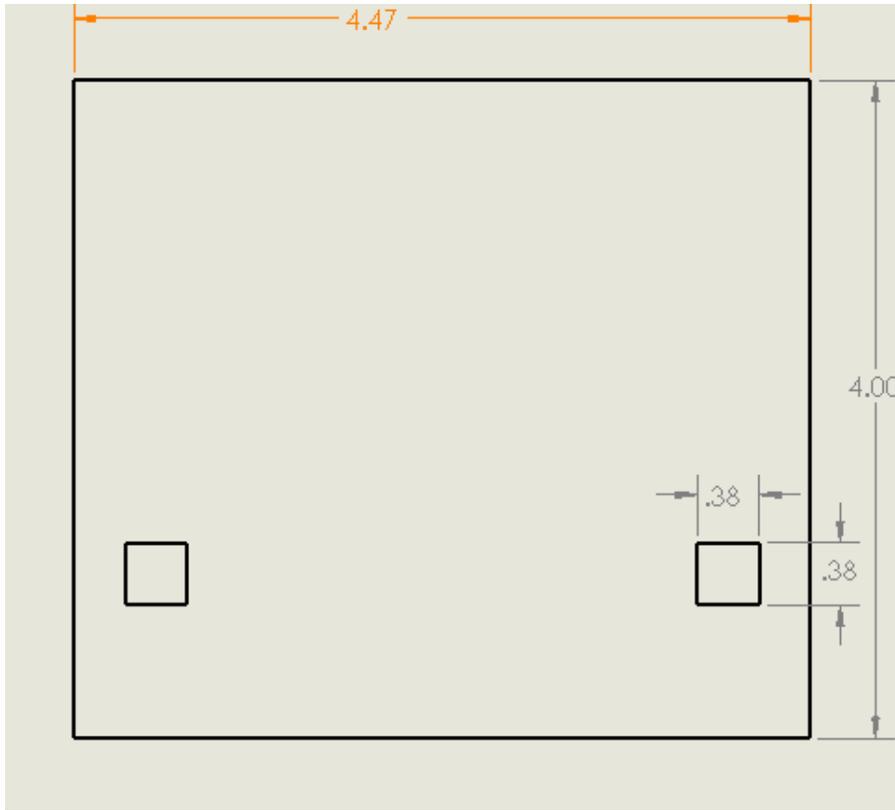
Bottle Stand

## 5.0 APPENDIX

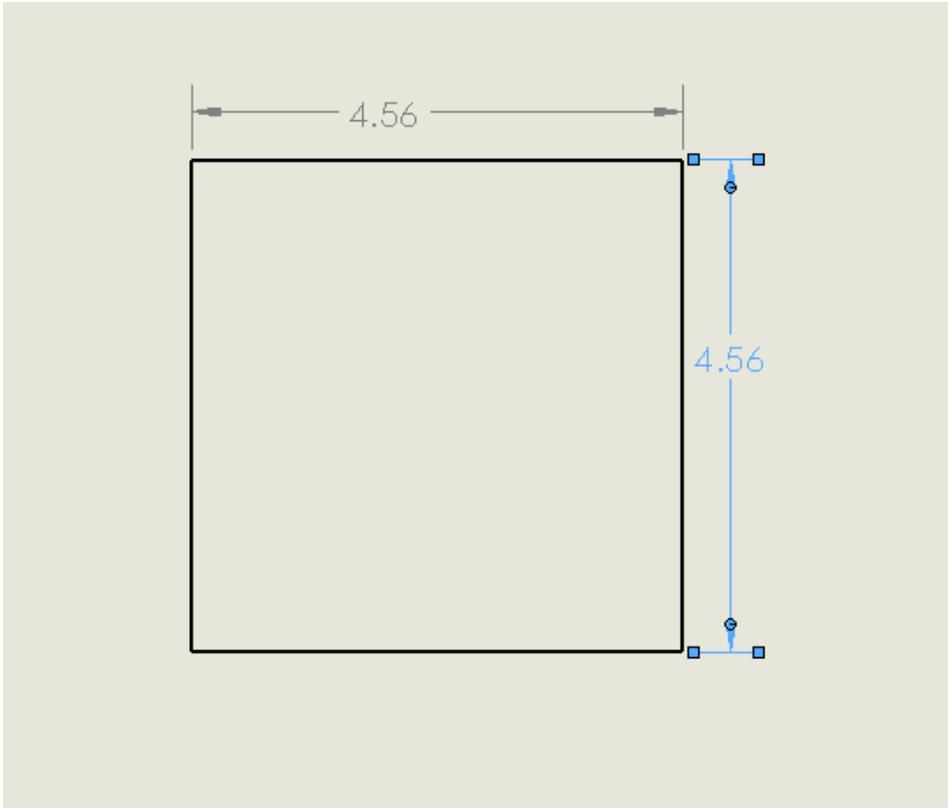
## A. APPENDIX

*This section includes the drawings and specifications of the paint caddy in case reproduction is desired or needed.*

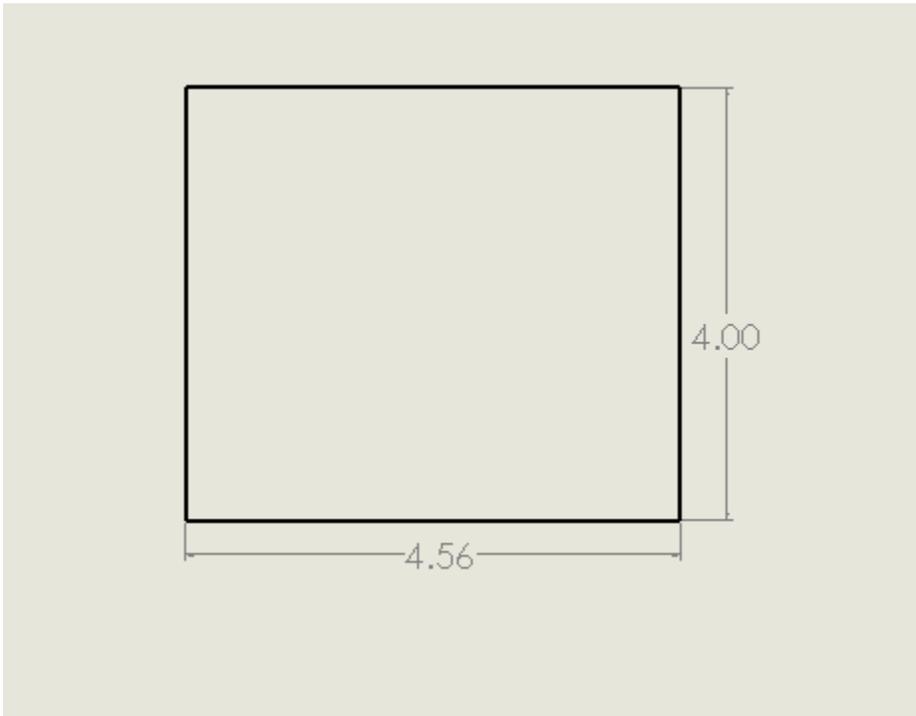




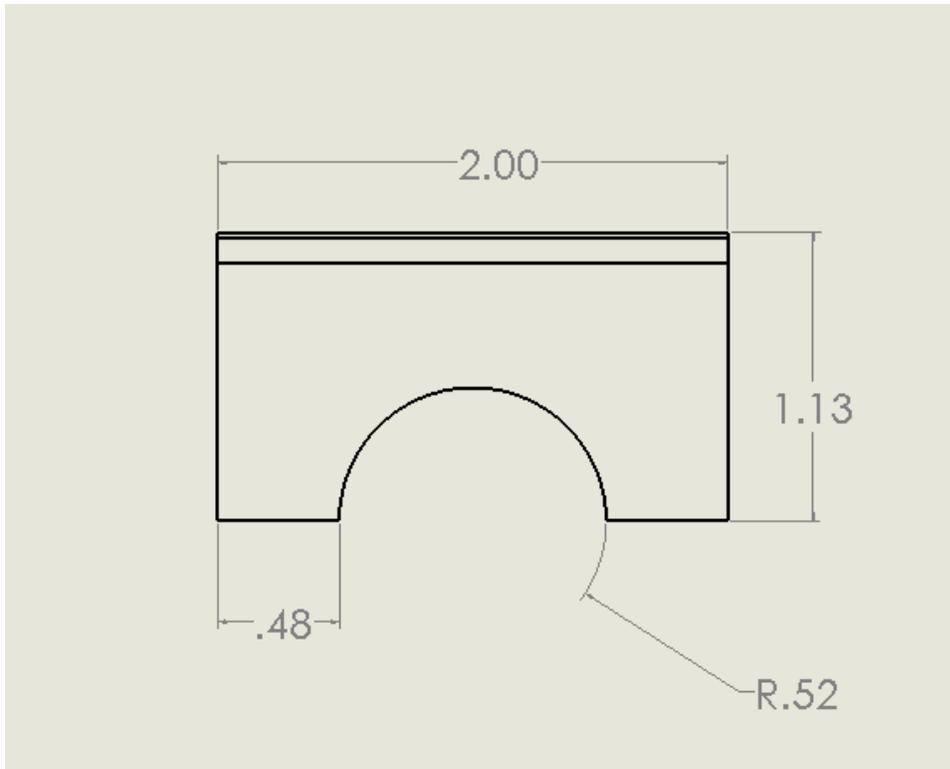
PC Acrylic side wall 2



PC Acrylic base



PC Acrylic Back Wall



Bottle stand

Item	Part Number	Description	Cost/Unit	Units	Shipping	Total Cost	Vendor
<b>MP3 Player</b>	SDMX26-008G-G46K	SanDisk 8GB Clip Jam MP3 Player, Black - microSD card slot and FM Radio -	29.99	1		29.99	amazon.com
<b>Speaker</b>	175	INTSUN Mini Portable Speaker	16.96	1		16.96	amazon.com
<b>USB Drive</b>	SDCZ60-032G-B35	SanDisk 32GB Cruzer Glide USB 2.0 Flash Drive	7.19	1		7.19	amazon.com
<b>Multi-Purpose Squeeze Bottle Lid</b>	3592801905	FIFO Innovations Multi-Purpose Squeeze Bottle Lids	9.99	1		9.99	webstaurantstore.com
<b>Acrylic Sheet</b>	769125010515-ACR24X18X	0.93" x 18" x 24" Clear Acrylic Sheet	14.14	1		14.14	Home Depot
<b>Gorilla Glue</b>	52427453754	3.75 oz Clear Gorilla Glue	7.97	1		7.97	Home Depot
<b>Acrylic Paint</b>	766218O48677	8oz Apple Tart Paint	2.99	1		2.99	Michael's
<b>Acrylic Paint</b>	766218O48615	8oz Bright Red Paint	2.99	1		2.99	Michael's
<b>Acrylic Paint</b>	766218O48745	8oz Dark Blue Paint	2.99	1		2.99	Michael's
<b>Paint Tray</b>	1050000000	Clear Square Paint Tray	1.99	3		5.97	Hobby Lobby
<b>Plastic Squeeze Bottle Lids</b>	1056000020	Plastic Squeeze Bottle Lids	3.49	1		3.49	Hobby Lobby
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