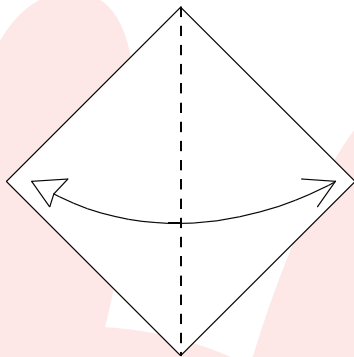


# The Ultimate Party Favor

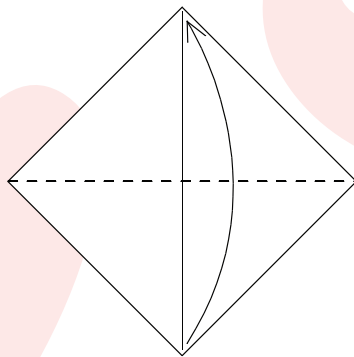
## How to Make a Hot-Pink Origami Bunny



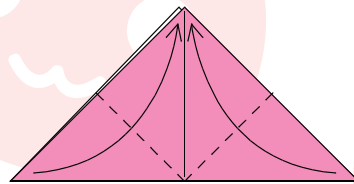
A few years ago, *Muse's* letters pages blazed with a ferocious debate over which is better, cats or dogs. In desperation the editors decreed that any passages referring to cats or dogs would be replaced by cheerful little hot-pink bunnies. The bunnies brought peace, but at a hideous cost: readers fell in love with them. They *still* love them. (You do—admit it.) So we asked Robert J. Lang, a mathematician and world-famous origami artist, to design a bunny that Musers could fold for their very own. You can see other examples of Lang's work at [www.langorigami.com](http://www.langorigami.com), but this, we're sure you'll agree, is his masterpiece.



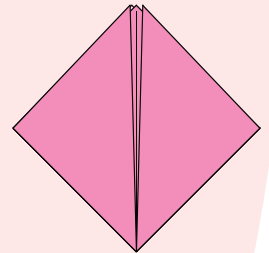
1. To start with, you'll need a 6- to 10-inch square sheet of origami paper, white on one side and as violently hot-pink as possible on the other. Begin with paper white side up, oriented like a diamond. Fold the paper in half from side to side and unfold, leaving a vertical crease in the middle.



2. Fold the bottom corner up to align with the top corner.

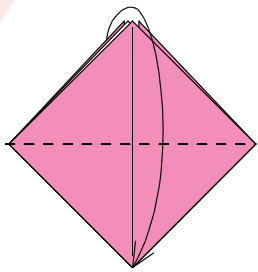


3. Fold the two side corners up to the top.

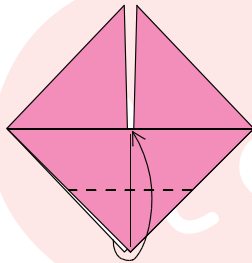


4. Turn the paper over.

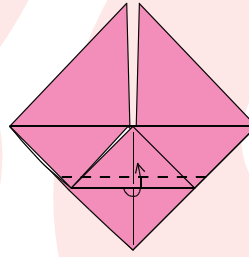




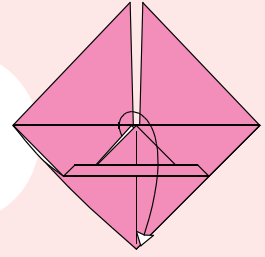
5. Fold the two single-sheet corners at the top down to the bottom corner (leaving the two far side-by-side corners alone).



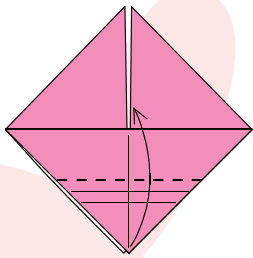
6. Fold the same two single-sheet corners back up to the middle of the center edge, leaving the third (thick) corner alone.



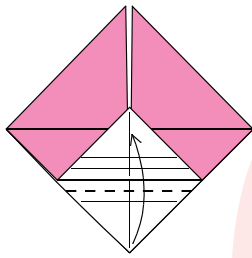
7. Fold a little bit of the horizontal edge upward, keeping all the layers together. Be careful not to let the top corner creep upward!



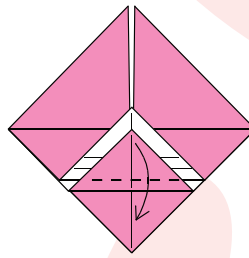
8. Unfold, bringing both corners back down to the bottom corner as in step 6.



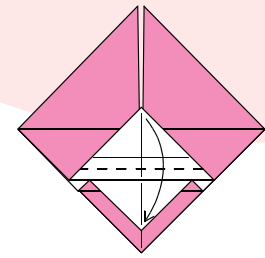
9. Fold the nearest single layer upward on the uppermost of the 3 existing creases. Leave the white layer alone.



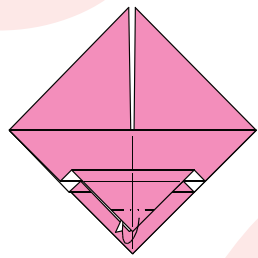
10. Fold the lower white corner up on the existing crease that lies just below the fold you made in step 9.



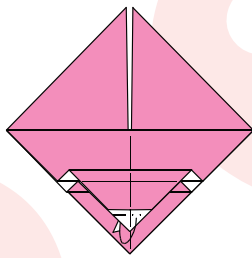
11. Fold the colored corner back down on the remaining existing crease.



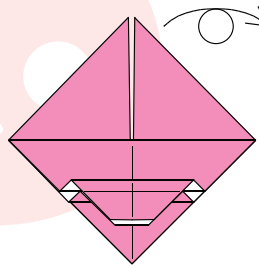
12. Fold the upper white corner down to line up with the lower white corner.



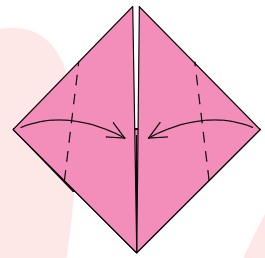
13. Fold a little bit of the single-layered colored corner to the inside.



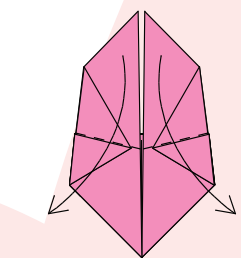
14. Fold a little bit of the white corner underneath, but leave a little bit sticking out below the colored edge.



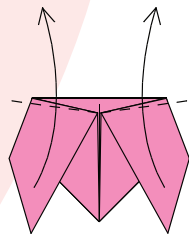
15. Turn the paper over.



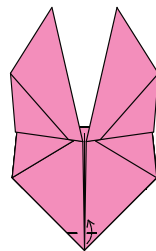
16. Fold the side corners in to the center line, angling them slightly downward.



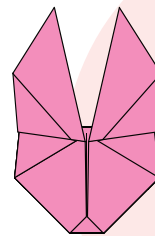
17. Fold the two top points down and slightly outward, folding along the existing folded edges.



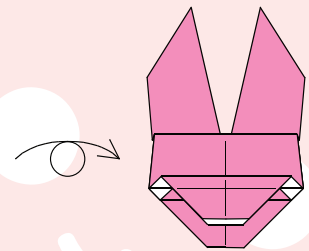
18. Fold the two flaps back upward, but angled slightly outward.



19. Fold a little bit of the bottom corner upward.



20. Turn the model over.



21. Finished bunny!

—Robert J. Lang