

Flasher Big Bang

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This is the Flasher Supreme, with twice as many iterations, and consequently double the trouble, but also twice as nice, and much more almost deranged. Begin by folding a 32 by 32 grid of genderless creases (i.e. every crease should get mountained and valleyed). Starting at the sides and moving inward, pinch the boldly diagrammed spiral creases (you might want to draw them in if your ethics permit you to). Then, working on one section at a time (moving inward again), make all the indicated folds, gradually pushing the model together as you go. **Wetfolding approach:** Once together, tie rubberbands around the model, dunk it in water and set it out to dry. This process will make the model spring closed. Pictured to the right is a flasher I made from a 7-foot square. When open it's more than 9 feet across. When closed it's the size of a hand. It took about 40 hours to make, but it was worth it!

