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## Letter from the Editors

Dear Reader,

We crafters love the opportunities that holidays provide for creative projects, gifts and home décor. Without multiple searches, a comprehensive resource of holiday crafts for the entire year is hard to find. To give our wonderful readers a single place to look, the editors here at FaveCrafts put together this eBook of the best crafts for every holiday, hand-picked from our extensive collection.

For more holiday craft ideas, simply follow the link at the end of each section to the entire collection of craft projects for that holiday at www.FaveCrafts.com.

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We hope you enjoy reading and creating!

With Love,

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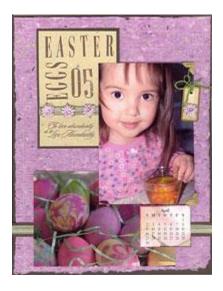
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## **Easter Craft Projects**

#### Eggs to Dye for Scrapbook Page

By Kay Williamson for Arnold Grummer's

Cute and create scrapbook project idea for all your Easter memories.



#### Materials:

- Arnold Grummer's Paper Additive
- Arnold Grummer's Papermill PRO Envelope & Stationery Kit
- Brown cardstock: 8 1/2" x 11", 3 1/2" x 5", 5/8" x 8 1/2"
- Stamped or computer generated text block: Yellow handmade paper trimmed to 3 1/2" x 4 3/4"
- Two 4" x 6" photos, untrimmed
- Ribbon: 3/8" wide, 18"
- Embellishments: Four 3d mini flower stickers, mini tag, mini calendar, green embroidery floss

- 1. Recycle 2 pages from the 'yellow pages' to make the yellow handmade paper for the text block.
- 2. Recycle deep color purple wastepaper. The large handmade sheet on this page was made using a printed purple flyer that came in the mail.



- 3. After blending and forming the sheet, lay the support grid from the paper making set on top of the new, wet sheet for texture. Let air dry.
- 4. Carefully peel new sheet off screen. Gently tear along two sides to make sheet 8 1/4" x 10 3/4". Attach to 8 1/2" x 11" cardstock.
- 5. Wrap ribbon on cardstock strip. Attach to page 1 1/2" from the bottom.
- 6. Attach ribbon to text block, layer on cardstock mat. Attach to page 1/2" from top and 1" in from side.
- 7. Apply photo corners to pictures. Layer on to page as shown.
- 8. Add calendar page and little flower tag embellishments. Attach 3d flower stickers as a finishing touch.

#### **Feathered Egg Project**

With a selection of Aleene's® Crafting Adhesives on hand, you'll be ready to glue a variety of embellishments onto these eggs. Sure to impress the Easter Bunny!



#### Materials:

- Aleene's® Tacky Packs
  - o Try Me Size Tacky Pack
- Chop sticks or skewers
- Ribbon, 2 yards
- Scissors
- Foam egg, 2 13/16" x 3 7/8"
- Feathers, small, small package
- Ruler
- Small cups
- Straight pins

- 1. Push wide end of egg onto chopstick or skewer.
- 2. For feather egg, choose feathers with interesting tips. Trim fuzzy end from each feather, leaving a 2" length.
- 3. Apply Clear Gel Tacky Glue onto spine of a feather, at base. Press onto wide end of egg. Glue a row of feathers to completely cover wide end of egg, overlapping slightly. Glue rows of feather tips to cover remainder of egg, arranging so that row above slightly overlaps each row. Trim feathers as needed on last row of narrow end of egg.
- 4. Place into cup. Let dry. Carefully remove chopstick.



5. For hangers, cut two 12" lengths from desired ribbon. Loop one length back and forth three times to create loopy bow. Tie remaining length around center of bow, tying knot close to bow. Knot ends together to form hanger. Trim end. Apply a dot of Fast Grab Tacky Glue to knot. Press onto small end of egg. Secure with pins until dry. Remove pins.

#### Foam Egg Magnet

By Amy Law for Kreinik

This quick and easy egg magnet project is great to do with your kids for Easter.



#### Materials:

- Blue & Yellow Fun Foam- Westrim
- Magnet backing sheet
- Fiskars paper edgers- wide scallop
- 4x6 Treasure Tape Sheet
- Diamond Beadlets
- Mrs. K's Dimensional Threads: Gold Braid Assortment, Light Blue Ribbon Assortment

- 1. Using a template, trace an egg shape onto the white backer side of your tape. Cut out the egg. Peel back the white backer and apply the egg shape to your foam and press out from the center with your fingers, to smooth out any air bubbles.
- 2. Cut out the shape. Peel back the white liner on the remaining part of your tape sheet and place your foam shape, foam side down, on the tape. Cut out the egg shape again. Now you have an egg shape with tape on both sides. Peel the liner off one side of your shape, and place it on your magnet sheet. Cut out the egg again.



- 3. Peel the red liner off your heart shape and begin to embellish. Use the paper edgers to make scalloped strips of yellow foam. Using their edges as a guide, create stripes in blue and yellow. Finish with zigzag or loop designs.
- 4. When finished embellishing, use your red liner to press all threads firmly into the tape. Place your egg in a tray or ziploc bag and pour Diamond Beadlets over the exposed tape. Swirl with your fingers to cover fully. Tap to remove excess beadlets.

#### **Marbelous Easter Egg**

#### Courtesy of Delta Creative

Create beautiful marbled Easter egg ornaments in just 3 easy steps!



#### Materials:

- Delta Ceramcoat Acrylic Paints: 3 or 4 colors, suggestions include:
  - o White, Blue Danube, GP Purple, Bahama Purple
  - o Sunbright Yellow, Lisa Pink, White, Blue Danube
  - o White, Sunbright Yellow, Lisa Pink
  - o White, Bahama Purple, Blue Danube
  - o Calypso Orange, Sunbright Yellow, Lisa Pink
  - o White, Lima Green, Lime Green
  - o Lisa Pink, Blue Danube, White
  - o Blue Danube, Bahama Purple, Lime Green
- Clear glass or plastic eggs
- Paper cups or empty egg cartons

#### Steps:

1. Remove hanger and cap from the egg. Rinse inside of egg with alcohol. Let dry completely. No moisture should be inside ball. Start with one color of Ceramcoat paint. Squeeze just a small amount of the first color into the egg so it runs down the side. Rotate the egg and squeeze a little more paint down the side in another area until you've added about three or four lines of paint with only a dime-size amount of paint pooling at the bottom of the egg.



- 2. Add the next color, squeezing out a small amount of paint in between the places where you added the first color. Continue to add one or two more colors in the same fashion.
- 3. Rest the egg on its side for approximately five minutes. (Place it to rest in the egg box it came in, an egg carton or a paper cup for easy handling.) Rotate and tilt the egg a quarter turn every five to ten minutes until the paint covers the entire inside of the egg. Pour out excess paint. Then continue to rotate it every few hours over the next day. This helps the paint to coat the egg evenly. The color will continue to move and change with each turn. When the desired effect has been achieved, drain out any remaining excess paint. It may take up to five days to dry completely (a hair dryer will speed drying time). Replace hanger and cap when dry. If desired, decorate with ribbon.

#### Other creative variations:

- For horizontal marbling: coat egg with your choice of colors and let the egg dry on its side, rotating one side to another, avoiding an upright position.
- For vertical marbling: coat egg with your choice of colors as in steps 1 and 2 and prop egg upside down in a paper cup to drain. Let dry.
- For variegated, irregular marbling: drop in one color of paint, swirl, then add another color. Continue adding or repeating colors and swirling until the entire egg is coated on the inside. Follow step 3.

#### Important Note:

• Use Ceramcoat Acrylic Paint only-other brands of paint may not be compatible! Also, if paint pulls away from glass, add more paint after original paint dries.

#### **Five Easter Bunny Cards**

By Dee Gruenig for Posh Impressions

A set of five cute Easter bunny cards to say Happy Easter or even happy winter.



Four More Easter Cards Below!

#### Materials:

- Vertical cards that open 1/3 the distance from the card's right hand side
- Dee Gruenig Easter Set
- Any other sets you would like combined or Small Easter Set
- Dee Gruenig Signature Brush Art Markers set from Marvy
- Dee Gruenig Blending Blox from Marvy if you want blends made easily
- Crack N Peel sticker paper. Dee uses opaque rather than glossy so that what is beneath does not show through.
- Optional Letter set for unlimited versatility (a bargain)
- Regular scissors. The heavy duty type are not needed.

- 1. Practice on scratch paper first to find what you like best and to feel comfortable with the procedure.
- 2. Stamp right side border using pens for solid color look or drag Blending Blox pad top to bottom for blended effect you see on this page. Drag several times. If margin is not crisp, use corresponding color of pen and ruler and drop crisp line.
- 3. Select a background stamp. Color back of stamp on rubber with pen and press to card.



- 4. Stamp bunny on sticker paper. Cut out leaving 1/32 inch all around to provide definition from background.
- 5. Do the same with cactus or tree or your choice of stamp.
- 6. Stick images in place. Move around with backing to see preferred arrangement. Attach one corner and smooth with hand to eliminate chance of bubble or wrinkle forming.
- 7. Add any details like a hat.
- 8. Share result with pride and get deserved compliments.









#### **Christmas Craft Projects**

#### **10 Minute Holiday Ornament**

By Leslie Ashe for Glitz Design

Use scrapbook supplies to create a glittery holiday ornament in just 10 minutes.



#### Materials:

- Glitz Kringle paper
- Glitz Frosting
- Glitz Glitter Alphabet Stickers

- 1. Cover shaped chipboard with Glitz Kringle paper of your choice
- 2. Cover smaller circle chipboard with opposite side of Kringle papers.
- 3. Cut out Santa to place next to photo on circle using a pop dot.
- 4. Put Glitz Frosting around picture, framing it like so.
- 5. Put Glitz letters around circle, spelling out "Jolly"
- 6. Loop ribbon through the top hole and tie in a knot to hang.

#### **Holiday Mailbox**

#### By Cheri Cieslak for Glue Dots.com

Simple scrapbooking techniques, colorful papers, embellishments and Glue Dots are what you need to create this festive holiday mailbox.



#### Materials:

- Continuous Glue Lines
- Mini Glue Dots
- Craft Glue Dots
- Wooden mail box
- Patterned paper; Basic Grey Figgie Pudding Collection
- Red acrylic paint
- Velvet ribbon; Cosmo Cricket
- Poinsettia; Imaginisce Candy Cane Lane Collection
- Joy sticker; Chatterbox
- Green cardstock
- Green button

- 1. Remove the flag from the mailbox and paint the mailbox and flag.
- 2. Cut two 10" x 5" strips of patterned tree paper. Be mindful of the pattern direction. If there's no direction to the pattern, use one 10" x 10" strip.



- 3. Apply Continuous Glue Lines to the outer edge of the reverse side of the patterned paper and adhere to the top of the mailbox.
- 4. Cut two 10" x 2" strips of the striped patterned paper. Apply Continuous Glue Lines to the outer edge of the reverse side of the paper and adhere to the bottom sides of the mailbox, making sure the bottom edge of the paper lines up with the bottom edge of the mailbox.
- 5. Trace the back of the mailbox onto the striped patterned paper, cut out and apply to the back of the mailbox using Continuous Glue Lines.
- 6. Trace the front of the mailbox onto herringbone paper, cut out and apply to the inside front of the mailbox with Continuous Glue Lines.
- 7. Trace the flag onto desired cardstock and adhere to the front side of the flag.
- 8. Cut 10" strips of ribbon and adhere over top and side seams of patterned paper using Continuous Glue Lines.
- 9. Screw flag onto the mailbox.
- 10. Use Craft Glue Dots to adhere the poinsettia to the leaves and secure to the mailbox.
- 11. Use Mini Glue Dots to secure the button to the flower.
- 12. Apply the "Joy" sticker to the flag.

#### **Beaded CD Ornaments**

#### By Annabelle Keller for Krylon

Recycle old CD's into colorful trendy ornaments. With a little paint, wire and beads, you can add a new look to the holiday season.



- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Hunter Green (#53502)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Tomato (#53532)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Purple (#51913)
- Krylon Glitter Spray Glistening Gold (#401)
- Krylon Glitter Spray Shimmering Silver (#402)
- 3 Compact Discs
- 24 gauge Non-Tarnishing wire: (1) 2 yard length Gold and (2) 2 yard lengths Silver.
- 10" length 1/8" wide Gold wire edge ribbon
- (2) 10" lengths 1/8" wide Silver wire edge ribbon
- 2/3 yard lengths 3/8" wide Gold wire edge ribbon
- (2) 2/3 yard lengths 3/8" wide Silver wire edge ribbon
- Assorted sizes and shapes of beads (silver, green, dark red, gold, blue & purple)
- (3) 4" lengths cloth covered floral wire
- (3) 8" lengths 20 gauge wire
- Nail large enough to make a 1/8" diameter hole
- Flat nose pliers
- Cardboard boxes for spray booth and drying ornaments.



- Dowel rod to fit across box for drying ornaments
- Wire cutters
- Ruler
- Scissors

- 1. To make a hole for hanging, use flat nose pliers to heat nail and push through CD about 1/8" from edge. Cool.
- 2. Twist one end of 20 gauge wire thru hanging hole and form hook on opposite end. This will serve as a handle while painting and drying.
- 3. Following manufacturer's instructions, paint each CD a different color: Hunter Green, Purple, Tomato. Hang ornaments on dowel rods across box to dry completely. Remove wire when dry.
- 4. Adding beads: Refer to photograph. Anchor one end of the 24 gauge length of wire in the 1/8" hole. String beads in front of ornament only. Green and silver beads for green ornament; green, dark red and gold for red ornament; blue, purple and silver for purple ornament. Make 13 evenly spaced rows of beads around CD. Twist end of wire to back side of first wire. Trim excess wire.
- 5. Hanger and bow: Tie hanger ribbon thru 1/8" hole. Tie 2 loop bow. Slip floral wire thru knot in bow on back side. Wire to ornament thru 1/8" hole. Twist bow tails around fingers to shape and trim as desired.

For more project ideas, please visit www.krylon.com/projects.

#### **A Silver Bells Welcome Wreath**

#### By Annabelle Keller for Krylon

Greet your guests and dress up your front door with this lovely wreath that you'll cherish for holidays to come.



- Krylon Short Cuts® Aerosol Paints Chrome (#SCS032)
- Krylon Glitter Spray Shimmering Silver (#402)
- (1) 24" artificial pine wreath
- (5) 4" craft foam bells
- (17) 1" craft foam balls
- $1" \times 12" \times 18"$  sheet of craft foam
- (2 yds) braided 3/8" wide silver trim
- (3-1/3 yds) 2 1/4" wide silver ribbon for bow
- (5 yds) 3/16" wide wire edge silver ribbon for bells
- Silver hologram glitter
- (2) 18" lengths of cloth covered floral wire
- 1 green chenille stem
- 5 round toothpicks
- 17 bamboo skewers



- Scissors
- Yard stick
- Glue gun and glue sticks
- White craft glue
- 3/4" wide flat brush
- Waxed paper

- 1. To create bell clappers, glue toothpicks into bottoms of bells off center leaving 1/2" protruding. Glue a ball onto each toothpick, twisting to fit securely against bottom of bell.
- 2. To serve as handles, place skewers into the top of each bell and into remaining balls.
- 3. Spray all pieces with Chrome. Stand in sheet to dry.
- 4. Spray balls with Glitter Spray. Stand in sheet to dry. When dry, remove all skewers.
- 5. Cut to fit with a 1/4" overlap and glue 3/8" trim around the bottom rim of each bell.
- 6. Use flat brush to coat bell clappers with white craft glue.
- 7. Over waxed paper, sprinkle clappers with Silver Hologram Glitter. Let Dry.
- 8. To make bell bows from 3/16" ribbon, cut (5) 27" lengths for bows and (5) 9" lengths for tails. Cut (5) 3 1/2" lengths of cloth covered floral wire.
- 9. Make a six—loop bow with each 27" length. Using floral wires tie bows to center of tails. Curl tails.
- 10. Glue bows to tops of bells over holes made by skewers.
- 11. To complete bow and hanger, cut a 24" piece for tails.
- 12. Make 8–loop bow with center knot with remainder.
- 13. Using floral wire, wire tails to bow and bow to wreath at 12 o'clock position.
- 14. Tie chenille stem to wire wreath frame behind bow for hanger.
- 15. Arrange bells and balls on wreath. Glue in place. Mist entire wreath with Glitter Spray.

For more project ideas, please visit www.krylon.com/projects.

#### **Mirrored Swirl Ornaments**

By Susan Lowenthal for Krylon

Mirrored paint and jewel-tone color swirl together to transform inexpensive glass ornaments.



#### Materials:

- Krylon Looking Glass®- Mirror Like Paint Mirror Finish (#9033)
- Delta PermEnamel<sup>TM</sup> Transparent Glass Paint (2 to 3 colors of your choice per ornament)
- Clear glass ornaments with removable tops
- Paper cups with slightly smaller opening than the circumference of the ornament
- Newspaper

- 1. Cover work surface with newspaper (to protect from overspray).
- 2. Remove top of ornament.
- 3. Squirt a short burst of the glass paints into the ornaments one at a time. Use 2 to 3 colors per ornament. Twirl them quickly in your hand after each squirt. Do not let them dry.



- 4. Shake Looking Glass for one full minute. Horizontally, hold nozzle of can against opening and immediately spray short bursts into the ornaments while continuously turning them in your hand as you spray. Coat very lightly, and continue spraying until you have achieved the look you desire.
- 5. Place ornaments upside down into paper cups to dry.
- 6. Replace tops. Each ornament will be completely unique.

For more project ideas, please visit www.krylon.com/projects.

#### **Easy Cinnamon Christmas Ornaments**

Courtesy of Duncan Enterprises

Want an easy fun project for the children? This is it! And the smell it creates? Heavenly!



- Tulip® 3D Fashion Paint
  - o 65000 White
  - o 65032 Leaf Green
  - o 65141 Bright Red
- Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue®
- Tulip® Glam-It-Up!<sup>TM</sup> Iron-On Crystals<sup>TM</sup>
  - o TR325 Crystal 4mm
- Ribbon, to Hang Ornaments
- Drinking Straw
- Measuring Spoons
- Cinnamon

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- Wax Paper
- Applesauce
- Scissors
- Paper Towels
- Measuring Cup
- Cookie Cutters
- Wire Rack
- Bowl
- Cloves
- Plastic Food Wrap
- Nutmeg
- Rolling Pin

#### Recipe:

1 cup cinnamon 1 tablespoon cloves 1 tablespoon nutmeg 3/4 cup applesauce, drained 2 tbsp glue

- 1. Combine cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg. Add applesauce and glue. Mix well with hands until mixture is smooth and well combined.
- 2. Place wax paper down onto work surface.
- 3. Roll one quarter of dough between two pieces of wax paper until about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" thick.
- 4. Cut into desired shapes with cookie cutters, etc.
- 5. Cut holes for hanging using straw or similar object.
- 6. Dry on wire rack for several days, turning daily to keep from curling. Option dry in a 250 degree F oven until hard.
- 7. For stones, squeeze out a dot of Tulip® 3D Fashion Paint slightly smaller than size of stone. Place stone into paint and gently press so paint comes up and around stone.
- 8. Refer to photo when decorating ornaments. Start flow of paint on a paper towel, applying an even pressure on bottle for a smooth line. Create polka dots or lines using different colors. Let dry completely.

9. Cut ribbon to desired length. Run through hole and knot at end of ribbon.

#### **Christmas Heart and Home Card**

By Lisa Johnson for Uchida of America, Corp.

Create a beautiful Christmas card using velvet markers and craft punches.



- Marvy® Just Glitter Marker Silver
- Marvy® Puffy Velvet Markers White
- Marvy® Le Pen Red
- Marvy® Le Plume Pen Brown
- Marvy® Matchables Ink Pad Brown
- Marvy® Clever Lever Super Jumbo Craft Punch- Merchant Tag
- Marvy® Clever Lever Extra Jumbo Craft Punch Snowflake
- Ting-a-ling Pattern paper by Webster's Pages



- Clear Sentiment Stamp from the Holiday Wishes Stamp Set by Papertrey Ink
- Zip Dry TM Paper Glue by Beacon Adhesives
- Foam Mount Squares
- Loose glitter
- Synthetic sponge
- White organdy ribbon
- Marvy® Heat Tool
- Marvy® Paper Trimming Buddy with Score and Straight blade

All measurements are in inches.

- 1. Trim pattern paper to 8 1/2" x 5 1/2" using the Paper Trimming buddy with straight blade. Switch to the score blade and score cardstock in half to form base card. Trim striped pattern paper 4" x 5 1/4", Tear off the top part of the paper. Apply white puffy velvet marker to the torn edges to resemble snow. Heat set. Press set snow into loose glitter. Sponge edges with brown ink and adhere to card with Zip Dry.
- 2. Stamp sentiment in brown ink as shown and free hand draw brackets with the red Le Pen.
- 3. Punch out tag, faux stitch with the brown Le Plume pen, sponge edges with brown ink and affix ribbon. Punch out snowflake from the blue section of the pattern paper and adhere to tag.
- 4. Draw lines in the striped pattern paper with the silver Just Glitter marker to add shine to it

#### Welcome Santa Scrapbook Sign

By Kim Moreno for Glitz Design

Beckon Santa to leave the presents under the tree with this cute scrapbook sign.



- Glitz Kringle Santa and Snowflakes patterned paper
- Glitz Green frosting strip (round)
- Glitz Round Frame rub ons
- Glitz cardstock glitter stickers black



- Wooden plaque (could use chipboard also)
- Silver wired ribbon
- Pop Dots
- EK Success 1" punch
- Staple gun
- Making Memories letter stickers
- black paint

- 1. Start by painting just the edges of the wooden plaque black (if yours is flat, just ink the edges of the red patterned paper black). Wait for it to dry.
- 2. Cut the backside of the Santa paper (red side) to fit the front of your plaque. My plaque didn't have a hole in it so I used my staple gun to. Attach the ribbon loop for hanging. (If yours has a hole then you can just tie yours). Adhere the red patterned paper to the front of the plaque. Tie bow with silver ribbon and adhere as shown.
- 3. Apply rub on to the center of the plaque. Cut out the snowflake from the patterned paper and adhere to the bottom left of the rub on frame.
- 4. Apply the green frosting strip around the inside edge of the rub on frame.
- 5. Punch Santa from patterned paper and add to the center of the snowflake using a pop dot.
- 6. Add letter stickers to complete your project!



#### **Joy Holiday Card**

By Lisa Johnson for Uchida of America, Corp.

Create a festive Holiday card using craft punches and stamping. Making a card adds a personal touch and this beauty is great for displaying on the mantle.



- Marvy® Paper Trimming Buddy with Score, Straight and scalloped blade
- Marvy® Clever Lever Giga Craft Punch Scalloped Oval
- Marvy® Clever Lever Giga Craft Punch Oval
- Marvy® Red, Jungle Green and Lt. Blue Ink Pad Silver Just Glitter



- Clear Stamps from Papertrey Ink (Snowflake Serenade set)
- Zip Dry paper glue by Beacon adhesives
- Fabri-Tac by Beacon Adhesives
- Silk ribbon by Creative Impressions
- Foam mount squares
- Red glitter
- Red, Green and White cardstock by Prism
- Marvy® Squishy Scissors
- Synthetic sponge

#### All measurements are in inches

- 1. Trim and score red cardstock to create a 5 1/2" x 4 1/4" card base.
- 2. Trim green cardstock to 3 3/4" x 5" with the scalloped blade in the Paper Trimming Buddy. Sponge edges with green ink and adhere to the card base with Zip Dry.
- 3. Trim white cardstock to 3 1/2" x 4" and stamps with snowflakes in colors shown. Add Silver Just Glitter in selected areas. Sponge with blue ink. Adhere to green layer. Stamp sentiment in red and holly in green onto white cardstock. Punch out with oval punch, sponge with blue ink and adhere to a punched red scalloped oval. Adhere to the center of the card with foam mount squares. Add red glitter to highlight berries.
- 4. Tie ribbon together to form a bow in the center and snip ends diagonally with Squishy Scissors to finish card.



#### **Tag Fold-Out Christmas Card**

By Daylene Strickland for Posh Impressions

This is a fun and easy card to make, especially if you are fond of tags. There is room for a lot of images and color or add your own pictures in on one or more of the tags for a personal touch to this greeting.



#### Materials Needed:

- Posh White Christmas Stamp Set (Sunday International)
- Marvy Blending Blox (Sunday International)
- Marvy Matchable Ink Pads (Sunday International)
- Marvy Markers (Sunday International)
- 1 Sheet 11" x 17" white cardstock



- Peel 'n Stick Glossy White Sticker Paper
- Stipple Brushes
- 3 1/8" x 6 1/4" Shipping Tag for template
- Hole Punch
- Ribbon

- 1. Using shipping tag as template, line up the tag at the bottom corner edge of 11"x17" cardstock. Trace only the top of the tag lightly with a pencil and align tag shape to be next to the first shape and trace top part again. Repeat this process to get 5 consecutive tag shapes connected together. Trim cardstock and punch holes in top for tag card. (Punch holes through folded card for even placement.) Replace the tag in one of the shapes and use bone folder to score sides. (Diagram shows score lines for viewing only do not trace them).
- 2. Place unfolded card between two sheets of typing paper taping down the typing paper above and below to protect undecorated card. Stipple ink color lightly around edges of tag section. Stamp desired images with markers and ink pads. Complete remaining tag sections protecting each section as stippling and stamping is done.
- 3. Color remaining images directly on rubber and stamp on sticker paper. Trim very close leaving tiny amount of white edge showing. Apply to tags. Add ribbon.

#### **Halloween Craft Projects**

#### **Halloween Scene**

Create and display a spooky Halloween scene made from PlasterForm.

By Jake Linville for AMACO



#### Materials:

- 1 Box of Marblex<sup>TM</sup>
- 1 Mini Pack of WIREFORM® Diamond Mesh
- 1 Roll of PlasterForm®
- Rub n' Buff®:
  - Ebony
  - o Antique White
  - Spanish Copper
  - Olive Gold
  - o Emerald
  - Chinese Red
  - Gold Leaf
  - Pewter
- Craft Knife
- Glue
- Cardboard
- Scissors
- Small Round Paint Brush

- 1. Cut WireForm® with scissors to about 31/2" x 8". Roll into a tube and fasten by making a folded seam (see diagram A).
- 2. Cut one end of the tube from the bottom upward about 11/2" four or five times. Roll the flanges into "roots" and bend to desired shape (see diagram B).



- 3. Cut the other end of the tube downward about 3" four or five times. Roll these flanges into "limbs" and bend into desired shape (see diagram C). Limbs can be made to fork by cutting from the end in two places and rolling into separate limbs.
- 4. Roll another tube from a 31/4" x 6" piece of WireForm® and fasten with a folded seam as before.
- 5. Cut from the top downward about 3" four or five times, and roll these flanges into "limbs." Insert uncut bottom of this tube into the top of the base tube and crimp the wire together (see diagram D).
- 6. Secure with moist strips of PlasterForm®. Allow to dry until sturdy and then wrap entire tree with moist strips of PlasterForm® and let dry.
- 7. Cut a hole in the trunk of the tree with scissors or a craft knife and roll the rough edges inward.
- 8. Apply Rub n' Buff® (Spanish Copper) straight from the tube and spread with a paint brush to cover the entire tree. Let dry for 20 minutes.
- 9. Press the Marblex<sup>TM</sup> on a flat section of cardboard and create a large kidney shaped base (see diagram E) about 3/4" thick.
- 10. Press the roots of the tree into the base while the clay is still wet also filling the cavity of the tree with wet clay until it fills the tree to within 1/2" of the opening (make sure the clay is smooth and flat to create a seat for the owl).
- 11. Sculpt the owl, cat and headstone from Marblex<sup>TM</sup>. Press the cat and headstone to the base. Set the owl aside and let everything dry overnight. NOTE: The base may dry slower than the cat and headstone causing them to break free from the base if so, just glue them back in place. If any cracks develop after drying, soften a small amount of Marblex<sup>TM</sup> and press into the crack and smooth with finger. Allow to dry completely before decorating.
- 12. The cardboard will absorb moisture from the clay base. Replace the moist cardboard with a fresh dry piece to ensure complete dryness.
- 13. Cover entire base with Olive Gold Rub n' Buff®. Decorate the cat with Ebony Rub n' Buff® and the owl with Pewter Rub n' Buff® and let dry.
- 14. Accent the eyes and beak of the owl with Gold Leaf Rub n' Buff® and glue it to the base inside the tree. Accent the eyes of the cat with Gold Leaf Rub n' Buff® and mix Chinese Red and Antique White Rub n' Buff® to create a pink color for the nose and mouth. Use Emerald Rub n' Buff® to give the base an irregular grassy appearance.





## DecoArt Products Required Americana Acrylics

- DAO1 Snow (Titanium) White
- DAO67 Lamp (Ebony) Black

#### Americana Brushes

- DBF2575-B Flat 3/4"
- DBFN6504-B White Bristle Fan 4

#### Weathered Wood

• DAS8 - Weathered Wood

#### Multi-Purpose Sealer

• DS17 - Multi-Purpose Sealer

## Americana Spray Sealers

• DAS13 - Americana Matte Spray

## **Supplies**

- Water container
- Tracing and transfer paper
- Pencil



- Palette or plastic plate
- Paper towels
- Pumpkin (real or artificial)

- 1. Basecoat or prime pumpkin. (See Helpful Hints below.)
- 2. Coat pumpkin with Weathered Wood.
- 3. Use fan brush to apply Lamp Black (or contrasting color) over Weathered Wood. Be careful not to overbrush as lifting of paint may occur. Let dry thoroughly.
- 4. For silhouette designs, trace and transfer pattern. Paint design with contrasting color that corresponds to pumpkin. Let dry.
- 5. When completely dry, mist with Americana Matte Spray Sealer. Allow to dry between coats.

#### Helpful Hints

- Let dry between steps.
- You can also basecoat pumpkin in DA229 Jack-O'-Lantern Orange or Americana Acrylic color of your choice.
- Basecoat color will show through cracks. If you want color other than natural pumpkin color, choose color that contrasts with topcoat.
- Multi-Purpose Sealer improves adhesion on slick surfaces. For best results and durability, it would be best to prime pumpkin with sealer first.

## **Glowing Ghostly Globes**

By: Susie Coelho for Krylon

Don't have the time or desire to carve several messy pumpkins? Try this easy twist for a spooky All Hallow's Eve. Use these ghostly globes to add some glow to your buffet, or separate them onto individual tables for a "supernatural" feel. Wind them up your walkway to attract trick-ortreaters. Or give them away as gifts to your child's teacher, neighbors or friends!



#### Materials:

- Krylon Frosted Glass Finish White (#9040)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Bright White (#53517)
- Krylon Glowz® Glow-in-the-Dark (#3150)
- Krylon Short Cuts® Hobby/Craft Paint Pens Black (#SCP914)
- Round glass votives
- Newspaper

- 1. Set up a spray area by covering a table or other work surface with newspaper. It helps to place an extra smaller piece of newspaper under each individual votive that you can use to rotate the individual votive while you spray. This is particularly useful if you are unable to move around your work surface freely.
- 2. Begin spraying several light coats of Frosted Glass Finish on the lip of each votive. This area is the opening of the votive that will be resting on the newspaper. It is not necessary to saturate the lip as the idea is to create a "disappearing" gradation of white to add to the ghostly illusion. Let dry completely.
- 3. Spray several light coats of Bright White on the bottoms of the votives until coverage is solid while concentrating on blending the white seamlessly with the frosted glass. Let dry



completely.

- 4. Spray entire exterior of all the vases with Glowz so that when your votives are not lit, they will still glow-in-the-dark, welcoming dusk. Let dry completely.
- 5. Finally, freehand facial features (eyes and mouths) with a Black Paint Pen to give each ghost a personality!

## **Etched Halloween Candy Jar**

Create these spooky etched Halloween candy jars that make sorting the kid's loot easy and fun.

Courtesy of Armour Products



- Armour Etch® Cream
- Jar with Lid (we used a mayonnaise jar)
- Glass Paint
- Black Gloss Paint for lid
- 6" x 6" piece of Contact® shelving vinyl
- Halloween decorations
- Glue(to adhere halloween decoration to top)
- Ball point pen
- Hobby knife
- Glass cleaner
- Masking Tape
- Running water
- Paper Towels
- Transfer paper (or carbon paper)
- Black & white paint pens

- 1. Remove all previous jar labels and glue. Wash jar thoroughly.
- 2. Wrap shelving vinyl around the glass jar.
- 3. Secure transfer paper to top of vinyl. Place design on top and trace design through transfer paper onto shelving paper. Make sure to press hard when tracing. Remove design and transfer paper.
- 4. Using your design as a guide, cut out design with a hobby knife.
- 5. Clean exposed areas of your design to remove remaining glue, if any.



- 6. Apply a layer of Armour Etch generously and wait for 1-2 minutes.
- 7. Wash off all Armour Etch® cream under running tap water.
- 8. While wet, peel off and remove all vinyl stencil pieces.
- 9. Clean your project with glass cleaner and dry with paper towels.
- 10. Paint the lid black and allow to dry. Decorate lid with pumpkin and bat.
- 11. With black paint pen, paint bats on either side of the design.
- 12. With white paint write Halloween sayings around jar.

## **Dracula Halloween Party Invite**

Now, here is an invitation to come for a bite that will earn a laugh with a prompt response to accept a dinner, picnic, Halloween party or any event with food. We hope our new drawings put a softer side to Halloween with lightness and humor.



## By Dee Gruenig for Posh Impressions



#### Materials:

- Stamps in Spooky set: Vampire, Come for a Bite, Dopey Spider
- Stamps in Best Witches set: Fierce Spider, Spider Web
- Stamps in Border set, Checkered Border stamp used as a pedestal
- Stamps in Inside Words set, For, Date, Time, Place, R.S.V.P. stamp. Most stamps are also available as single stamps.
- Opaque Sticker paper
- Marvy Matchable red stamp pad
- Red Marvy brush art marker
- Black Marvy brush art marker
- White pigment stamp pad
- White embossing Powder
- Fine tipped black pen and ruler

#### Steps:

- 1. Purchase blank card set or fold cardstock so that 40% of card is front portion & 60% is back portion.
- 2. Draw vertical lines along front of card with ruler.

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- 3. Place red stamp pad on right hand margin and drag repeatedly to get color consistency desired. If needed, add line from red Marvy pen to make edge straight on left side.
- 4. Stamp Come for a Bite with white stamp pad. Actual card shows white while this screen shows it as gray.
- 5. Place embossing powder over image stamped with white pigment pad and heat with heat gun.
- 6. Stamp For, Date, Time, Place, R.S.V.P. on inside
- 7. Stamp pedestal, vampire, spiders and web on sticker paper.
- 8. Cut items on sticker paper leaving 1/32" margin all around.
- 9. Place where wanted before removing backing.
- 10. Remove backing and stick permanently in place.

#### **Celebrate Halloween Frame**

Show off your favorite Halloween photos with colorful, skeletal painted wood picture frame.

## **Holiday Craft eBook**

## By DecoArt.com



#### Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Laurie Speltz's Instant Images

- IIT01 3/4 in. Flat Brush
- IIT06 3/8 in. Duo Tool
- IIT07 1/4 in. Duo Tool
- IIP13 Tricks & Treats Pocket Template

#### Americana Acrylics:

- DAO1 Snow (Titanium) White
- DAO67 Lamp (Ebony) Black
- DA184 French Vanilla
- DA228 Bright Orange
- Ribbon
- Assorted gemstone/rhinestone stickers
- Buttons
- Adhesives
- Permanent ink pens
- Wooden frame



- 1. Base frame Lamp Black. Spatter frame with Snow White.
- 2. Add words, scrolls, and skeletons with Snow White. Skeleton has Lamp Black dots for eyes.
- 3. Add moon and large star with French Vanilla. Shade with Bright Orange.
- 4. Add stylus stars with French Vanilla.
- 5. Refer to photo for placement and adhere ribbon, buttons, rhinestone words, and gems to frame.

## **Boo Crew Apron**

Cook up something spooky in this apron embellished with ghosts.

## By DecoArt.com



#### Materials:

## DecoArt Products Required

- SoSoft Fabric Acrylics
- DSS1 White

## SoSoft Shimmering Pearls

• DSP2 - Golden Yellow Pearl

#### SoSoft Dimensional Writers

- DD115 Black
- DD122 Lime

#### Glow-in-the-Dark Paint

• DS50 - Glow-in-the-Dark Medium

#### Americana Brushes

• DBF3008-B - Shader 8

## Supplies



- Foam plate
- 1/2" round foam pouncer brush
- Black canvas apron (adult) with pockets

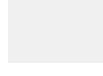
- 1. Preparation: Remove all stickers or labels from surface.
- 2. Refer to photo for placement and use Lime Glossy SoSoft Dimensional Writer to paint words on apron; let dry.
- 3. Use shader brush and Golden Yellow Pearl to paint eye shapes; let dry.
- 4. Use shader brush and White to paint ghosts rising out of pockets. Use pouncer brush to paint White pairs of dots for small eyes; let dry.
- 5. Follow bottle instructions for applying Glow-in-the-Dark Medium on fabrics and apply mixture over all White-painted areas. Let dry.
- 6. Use Black Glossy Writer to paint center of large eyes and dots on all small eyes; paint raindrop mouth and oval eyes on ghosts. Let dry.

## **Thanksgiving Craft Projects**

## **Autumn Squirrel Wood Box**

A great project to do with kids! Decorate a wood box for the autumn season or Thanksgiving.

By Melony Bradley for Uchida of America, Corp.



#### Materials:

- Marvy® Uchida Garden Craft Markers- white, yellow, orange
- Marvy® Uchida Clever Lever Craft Punch
  - o Giga Scalloped Heart
  - o Super Jumbo Oval
  - o Extra Jumbo Flower, scalloped oval
  - o Jumbo Heart, circle, Country heart
- Marvy® Uchida Le Plume marker- black
- Small wood box with oval handles
- Cardstock- dark brown, light brown, white
- Medium wiggle eyes- two
- Beacon Adhesives<sup>TM</sup> Zip Dry<sup>TM</sup> Paper Glue
- Marvy® Paper Trimming Buddy- straight blade

- 1. Use the Garden Craft Markers to paint the wood box alternating colors of orange, yellow and white. Use black marker to outline front of box and to write "Harvest Fun" on wood box.
- Punch the following from the cardstock:
   Dark Brown- one large oval, one scalloped oval, two circles, two country hearts
   Light Brown- one scalloped heart, four medium hearts, one flower
   White- two country hearts
- 3. Use the paper trimmer to cut dark brown cardstock to 2" square. Cut three very small strips for the acorn stems. Cut rounded tops off hearts to form acorns. Cut circles in half



to form caps. Use Le plume pen to make details and to outline acorns and caps. Glue acorn to cap and stems. Cut flower in half to form squirrel hands. Use Le plume market to outline scalloped heart, hands, and to draw details on oval for tail.

4. Assemble squirrel from punches and adhere to front of wood box as shown. Use marker for mouth and to outline white hearts for teeth. Glue wiggle eyes on squirrel.

## **Textured Pumpkin Centerpiece**

Add color and texture to your fall table with this pumpkin and pot centerpiece.

## By DecoArt.com



#### Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Texture Fierro

- TXF04 Iron Green
- TXF08 Green Gold

#### Texture Terra Cotta

• TXT03 - Grand Canyon

#### Americana Brushes

• DBFN6504-B - White Bristle Fan 4

## **Supplies**

- Water container
- Paper towels
- Silk or synthetic autumn leaf garland
- Low-temp hot glue gun and glue sticks
- Papier mache pot
- Foam pumpkin



- 1. Use fan brush to apply Texture Terra Cotta over pumpkin and Iron Green on stem.
- 2. Use fan brush to apply Texture Fierro Green Gold over papier mache pot.
- 3. To assemble, position and adhere garland on pot rim. Position and adhere pumpkin on pot.

## **Tom the Turkey Pumpkin**

Here's a crowd pleasing Thanksgiving centerpiece, made with craft foam and acrylic paint.

## By DecoArt.com



#### Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Americana Acrylics

- DA114 Light Cinnamon
- DA143 True Ochre

#### Americana Brushes

- DBF2575-B Flat 3/4"
- DBF3008-B Shader #8

## Americana Spray Sealers:

- DAS13 Americana Matte Spray
- Craft gourd, foam filled, 10" long, 5 1/2" at widest part
- 3" felt top hat
- Two 15-mm wiggle eyes
- Foam plate
- Lo-temp glue gun and glue sticks



- Pencil
- Scissors
- Ruler
- 2/3 yard of 1 1/2" wide black grosgrain ribbon
- Craft foam sheets: red, brown, green, orange, white, and purple
- Foam filled pumpkin, 8" high x 10" wide

Preparation: Remove all stickers or tags from pumpkin before painting.

- 1. Remove stem from pumpkin. For turkey body, refer to photo for position and glue bottom of gourd to top of pumpkin. Fill in any remaining gaps between surfaces with glue.
- 2. Use flat brush and Light Cinnamon to paint gourd and pumpkin shape and let dry.
- 3. Use shader brush and True Ochre to paint stem for beak of turkey; let dry.
- 4. Spray turkey shape with Americana Matte Sealer and let dry.
- 5. Cut two 11" x 2 3/4" strips from red, orange, green, brown, and purple foam. Refer to photo and, on one end of each strip, cut rounded point for feather tips. (Use first one for pattern on others.)
- 6. Trace waddle pattern onto red foam; cut out shape.
- 7. Trace feet pattern onto orange foam; cut out shape.
- 8. Trace collar pattern onto white foam; cut out shape.
- 9. Slip round opening of waddle shape over beak and glue waddle that surrounds beak to head.
- 10. Wrap collar ends around neck, overlap ends, and glue between layers and between collar and neck. Trim excess ends at back if not aligned neatly.
- 11. Glue wiggle eyes to head, overlapping top of waddle.
- 12. Glue felt hat on top of head.
- 13. Refer to photo and glue back third of feet underneath turkey shape, with toes extending in front.



- 14. Tie ribbon into bow and trim ends evenly; seal ends of ribbon to prevent fraying. Glue knot of bow over center front of neck at top of collar.
- 15. To assemble tail feathers, overlap 1/2 ends of brown foam strips evenly with pointed ends outwards; glue together. Arrange remaining strips into fan shape, alternating colors and overlapping straight ends of strips at left corners, beginning at left side. Glue straight ends to brown base and glue between layers. Trim excess where tips extend off edge of brown strip.
- 16. Glue center of brown strip to back of turkey at upper center area of pumpkin around sides at back to fit shape. Glue center top of feather fan to back of neck over collar where it overlaps to hold feathers upright.

## **Give Thanks Tag**

These tags make great table favors or additions to your fall and Thanksgiving decorations.

#### By DecoArt.com



#### Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Laurie Speltz's Instant Images

- IIT01 3/4 in. Flat Brush
- IIJ06 Pumpkins & Vines Journal Template
- IIT06 3/8 in. Duo Tool
- IIT07 1/4 in. Duo Tool

## Americana Acrylics

- DAO1 Snow (Titanium) White
- DAO31 Baby Pink
- DAO64 Burnt Umber
- DA238 Canyon Orange
- DA242 Fawn
- DA269 Foliage Green --- NEW!!

## Supplies



- Assorted ribbons
- Adhesive
- Permanent ink pens
- Wooden or chipboard tag

- 1. Use flat brush to base tag with Fawn. Spatter with Burnt Umber and then again with Snow White.
- 2. Base word and flourish vine with Burnt Umber.
- 3. Decorate words with dots of Foliage Green, Baby Pink, and Snow White.
- 4. Leaves on vine and near words are Canyon Orange. Shade edges with Burnt Umber.
- 5. Add dots with Burnt Umber, Foliage Green, and Baby Pink.
- 6. Adhere ribbons onto tag.
- 7. Finish with adding pen work and dots of Snow White and Baby Pink.

#### **Autumn Card**

Celebrate the coming of fall with this charming, painted pumpkin patch card.

## By DecoArt.com



#### Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Laurie Speltz's Instant Images

- IIT06 3/8 in. Duo Tool
- IIT07 1/4 in. Duo Tool
- IIP11 Fall Favorites Pocket Template

## Americana Acrylics

- DA174 Milk Chocolate
- DA184 French Vanilla
- DA228 Bright Orange
- DA238 Canyon Orange
- DA269 Foliage Green --- NEW!!

## Supplies

- Assorted patterned papers and cardstock
- Rubber stamps
- Ribbons
- Adhesive
- Permanent ink pens
- Ready-made card or white cardstock

- 1. Create card with white cardstock or use ready-made one. Cut and overlay additional papers and shapes to create card.
- 2. Add ribbon to card.
- 3. Stamp or print sentiment onto small square. Add Milk Chocolate and Canyon Orange leaves.
- 4. Pounce card edge with Foliage Green.
- 5. Pumpkins are based with Bright Orange. Add overlay sections with Canyon Orange. Shade pumpkins with Milk Chocolate.
- 6. Leaves are Milk Chocolate and Canyon Orange.
- 7. Background dots with French Vanilla, Foliage Green, Milk Chocolate, and Canyon Orange.
- 8. Float or pounce line of Milk Chocolate under pumpkins
- 9. Add line work with permanent ink pens.
- 10. Tie ribbon.

## Valentine's Day Craft Projects

## **Charming Heart Card**

Give the gift of your heart to that special someone this Valentine's Day with an oh-so-charming card you created yourself!

Courtesy of Duncan Enterprises



#### Materials:

- Aleene's® Paper Glaze
- Aleene's® Fast Grab Tacky Glue®
- Ribbon, 3/8" wide black velvet
- Stickers, Alphabet
- Cardstock, 12" x 12" Pink
- Thread, black
- Charm, Heart
- Ruler
- Paper, Little Princess Hearts
- Pencil
- Cardstock, 12" x 12" Black
- Scissors
- Brush, ½" flat
- Foil

- 1. Cut pink cardstock 7" X 12". Fold in half to create a left fold 6" x 7" card.
- 2. Cut a 4" square of black cardstock. Pour a puddle of Paper Glaze on foil. Cover work surface with foil and brush a medium coat on black square and leftover pink cardstock from making card. Let dry.



- 3. Cut black cardstock slightly smaller than front of card and apply to front of card, using Fast Grab.
- 4. Cut a piece of pink heart paper 5" x  $6-\frac{1}{2}$ ". Glue to top of black cardstock.
- 5. Cut out the heart patterns. Trace around larger heart on back of black and pink papers that have the Paper Glaze. Trace five small hearts on pink. On large hearts, cut to outside of traced line on black and cut to inside of line on pink. This should make the black heart slightly larger than the pink one. Cut out small hearts.
- 6. Glue larger pink heart to black with shiny side up and glue this unit to upper left of card. Place small hearts across bottom of card starting with a shiny, then dull, alternating. Refer to photo. Glue in place.
- 7. Cut ribbon to fit across small hearts and glue in place. Cut a 6" piece of ribbon. Using black thread, tie heart charm to center. Glue ribbon in a "V" at top of large heart. Cut off excess ribbon.
- 8. Apply stickers across lower part of large heart. Apply Paper Glaze directly on top of letters to give dimension. Let dry flat.

## Valentine's Day Heart Bracelet and Earring Set

This Valentine's Day heart cuff bracelet and earrings combines moldable plastic with felt for a fun craft project.

by Helen Bradley for Amaco



#### Materials:

- Felt Works cuff bracelet black
- Felt Works 100% wool felt embellishment balls
- 2 stick Friendly Plastic Metallic Solid Gold/Black
- 1 stick Friendly Plastic Metallic Solid Fuchsia/Black
- 1 stick Friendly Plastic Metallic Solid Mauve/Black
- Earring findings
- Gold headpins (4) or gold colored wire

#### Tools:

- Needle and thread
- Wire working tools
- Crop-o-Dile or small hole punch
- Small and large heart cutters
- Heat IT heat gun or similar
- Ranger craft sheet
- AMACO Friendly Plastic work mat
- Small bowl of water with a few drops of olive oil
- Needle tool with heatproof handle

- 1. Punch small circles of Friendly Plastic from the fuchsia, gold and mauve sticks. You will need approximately 15 of each color you can mix sizes if you are using the Crop-o-dile as your punch.
- 2. Place a stick of gold Friendly Plastic on the Friendly Plastic work mat on top of the Ranger Craft Sheet. Place Fuchsia and Mauve dots of Friendly Plastic on top of the gold sheet and heat with a heat gun until the pieces meld together.
- 3. Repeat Step 2 with a piece of Fuchsia Friendly Plastic, this time adding Gold and Mauve dots.
- 4. While the Friendly Plastic is still warm, take the larger heart cookie cutter and dip it into the water and olive oil mix. Use it to press out two heart shapes from the gold Friendly Plastic. Allow the Friendly Plastic to cool in the cutter before removing it so it doesn't stick to the cutter.
- 5. Repeat step 4 and make four small gold heart shapes using the small cutter. Use the small heart cutter to press two small heart shapes from the Fuchsia Friendly Plastic.
- 6. Take two of the small gold heart shapes and place them back to back with a headpin running lengthwise between them place it in the middle so the pin extends above and below the heart. Heat the hearts gently until they just melt together. Repeat with the second pair of gold hearts.
- 7. Take your back to back gold hearts and make a small loop in the headpin above the heart and a second small loop below it.
- 8. Pierce one black felt bead with A headpin, clip the end of the headpin wire to around 3/8th inch in length and make a small loop in the top. Attach the felt bead below a heart and attach the heart/felt bead combination to an earring wire. Repeat to make the second earring.
- 9. Overlap the two large gold hearts and heat gently so they just meld together but so they still remain dimensional.
- 10. Heat the metal end of the needle tool, dip in the oily water and poke small holes in the hearts. You will need two in the middle of the Fuchsia hearts and four along where the gold hearts overlap.



11. Take a needle and thread and sew the hearts onto the felt bracelet passing the needle and thread through the holes you just made. Place the gold hearts centrally on the bracelet and add fuchsia hearts either side of them.

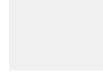
## Tips:

- Friendly Plastic can be melted using a heat gun such as the Ranger Heat It tool when placed on a heat proof sheet. Alternately you can heat it in the oven or in warm water.
- Friendly Plastic can be cut with a cookie cutter simply dip the cookie cutter in water which has had some olive oil added to it in it before cutting as this will act as a release agent preventing the plastic from adhering to the cookie cutter.
- A Crop-o-Dile is a good tool for cutting small circles of Friendly Plastic to use for polka dots.
- To create some dimension in your piece such as you see in the larger hearts in this project, take the stick of Friendly Plastic with the heart shaped cutter embedded in it (while it is still warm and pliable), and place it on top of a damp kitchen sponge and press down. This puffs up the heart to a dimensional shape.

#### **Kiss Me Pillow**

Nothing spells romance like a pair of red lips! Give a huggable kiss to your sweetheart with this Kiss Me Pillow or use it as cute Valentine's Day throw. Aleene's® Fabric Fusion<sup>TM</sup> makes this lovely project a cinch; use it to adhere the fabric pieces together.

#### Courtesy of Duncan Enterprises



#### Materials:

- Aleene's® Fabric Fusion<sup>TM</sup> Permanent Dry Cleanable Fabric Adhesive<sup>TM</sup>
- Tulip® Cordless Heat Setting Tool<sup>TM</sup>
- Tulip® Glam-It-Up!<sup>TM</sup> Iron-On Crystals<sup>TM</sup>
  - o 300 Clear Pack
- Polyfil
- Chalk
- Tweezers
- Scissors
- Sewing needle
- ½ yard of red fabric
- Thread red

- 1. Fold red fabric in half and freehand draw lips onto fabric in desired size.
- 2. Keeping the fabric folded, cut out lips pattern, making sure to cut through both layers of fabric. Trim edges if needed.
- 3. Apply Aleene's® Fabric Fusion<sup>TM</sup> along border of one of the lip-shaped pieces of fabric. Leave a small section without glue. This will be the opening for stuffing with polyfil. Press the other lip-shaped piece of fabric on top of the piece with Fabric Fusion<sup>TM</sup>, firmly pressing into glue. Let dry.
- 4. Once dry, pull fabric inside-out through opening and stuff fabric with desired amount of Polyfil.



- 5. Use needle and red thread to hand stitch the opening.
- 6. Use chalk to draw a line through middle of lips. (See picture for position.) With needle and red thread, stitch across chalk line, making sure to stitch through both layers of fabric.
- 7. Using chalk, write the words "KISS ME" in your desired font/script. Place Crystals over letters using tweezers.
- 8. Following Heat-Setting Tool instructions, place tip of tool on top of a Crystal and hold for 5 to 6 seconds. Repeat for all Crystals.

## **Valentine Magnets**

## By Cheryl Ball for Delta Creative

Share the love with these cute and easy painted Valentine's Day magnet ideas.



## Supplies:

- Delta Air-Dry PermEnamel<sup>TM</sup> Surface Conditioner
- Delta Air-Dry PermEnamel<sup>TM</sup> Paint:
  - o Ultra White (45 029)
  - o Wisteria (45 120)
  - o Fuchsia (45 013)
  - o Red Red (45 033)
- Sponges
- Large glass flat back beads
- #1 liner brush
- Palette
- Cardboard
- Double stick tape
- Self-adhesive magnetic tape
- Scissors

Note: For best results, please take a moment to review all instructions on product packaging before beginning any project. PermEnamel, the only air-dry paint that does not require heat setting, is a polyester-based and DOES NOT mix with water. You may clean your brushes with soap and water between applications, but make certain they are completely dry before moving to the next color.



- 1. Surface preparation is very important. Apply PermEnamel Surface Conditioner with a clean, dry brush. Let dry. Do not rinse or wipe off.
- 2. Trace patterns onto paper. Apply pieces of double stick tape over the designs. Press the glass beads, curved side down onto the tape. Center designs in bead and press to secure. This will make painting easier.
- 3. Use the liner brush to paint in designs, referring to photo for colors. Be sure the first coat of paint dries before layering on the next color. A blow dryer will speed up this step.
- 4. When all designs have been painted, blow dry.
- 5. For the background color, tap the flat end of the stencil sponge into the desired color of PermEnamel and sponge onto the surface over the painted design. This will require two coats, be sure to dry in-between coats.
- 6. Cut off about an inch of the magnetic tape; peel off backing and press onto center of bead.

#### **Foam LOVE Letters**

It's easy to get this loving message across with foam paint. Personalize or add details to foam letters for Valentine's Day decor.

## by DecoArt



#### Materials:

## Foam Paint

- White
- Yellow
- Apple Green
- Blue
- Hot Pink
- Foam letters

- 1. Use Foam Paint and its writer tip to make swirls, circles, dots, or other designs as desired on letters.
- 2. Let dry.

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#### **Love Letters Box**

This painted box is the ideal place to keep those treasured letters and cards from your loved ones. Present to your significant other on Valentine's Day.

## by DecoArt



#### Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Liquid Beadz

• BE34C - Rich Red

## Paper Perfect

• PP07 - White

#### Palette Knife

• DT02 - Palette Knife

## Supplies

- Sheet protector
- Scissors
- Shiny black cardstock or scrapbook paper
- White cardstock



- Heart ribbon
- 1" sheer red ribbon
- "I Love You" sticker
- Letter tiles
- Red ribbon rose
- Hot glue or thick craft glue
- Black fine tip marker
- 11/2" sheer white ribbon
- Cellulose sponge
- Red photo storage box

- 1. Using sheet protector as surface, make one sheet of White Paper Perfect following directions on jar. Let dry overnight and peel off. Measure and cut Paper Perfect sheet at an angle to form stripe across box. Adhere.
- 2. Cut strip of black paper or cardstock at same angle and adhere to Paper Perfect strip.
- 3. Cut small rectangle of white cardstock and use black marker to write "Love is you". Cover with rectangle of sheer white ribbon and adhere in place. Adhere ribbon rose to corner of rectangle and rectangle to top left corner.
- 4. Adhere "I love you" sticker to lower right corner.
- 5. Use toothpick and palette knife to scoop and place Rich Red Beadz to spell "LOVE" on black paper strip. Instead of an "O" make a heart with Rich Red Beadz. Let dry.
- 6. Make small bow with sheer red ribbon and glue next to "LOVE" on black paper strip.
- 7. Glue letter tiles beneath "LOVE" on Paper Perfect strip.
- 8. Wrap heart ribbon around edge of box and glue into place. Make bow and glue in place at seam.

# **Our Love has Wings Card**

Looking for a creative gift for your partner? Create a beautiful homemade card to express how you feel.

Courtesy of Uchida of America, Corp.



#### Materials:

- Marvy® Super Jumbo Scalloped Heart Clever Lever Craft Punch
- Marvy® Mega Scalloped Heart Clever Lever Craft Punch
- Marvy® Clever Lever Jumbo Craft Punch Oval
- Marvy® Clever Lever Craft Punch Circle
- Marvy® Brown ink pad
- Marvy® Tinted embossing pad
- White Flock- Stampendous
- Heat and Stick Powder
- Red Embossing powder
- Clear Stamps by Papertrey Ink (Borders & Corners Hearts, Butterfly Kisses)
- Pattern paper by We R Memory Keepers
- Cardstock by Prism
- Zip Dry Paper Glue by Beacon Adhesives
- Square brads Creative Impressions
- Foam mount squares
- Marvy® Squishy Scissors
- Marvy® Paper Trimming Buddy with Score, Straight and wave blade
- Marvy® Heat Tool
- Synthetic sponge

- 1. Trim pattern paper to 4 ¼ x 5 ½ . Score and fold in half. Trim off ½ inches with the wave blade. Trim a small strip of the stripped paper to adhere to the trimmed edge. Sponge both edges with Brown ink and adhere.
- 2. Stamp love image in brown and the curly image with embossing ink, sprinkle with heat and stick powder, lightly heat, sprinkle with Flock and heat set. Punch out with scalloped heart punch. Repeat for a second heart.



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- 3. Stamp Solid heat image onto red cardstock with embossing ink. Sprinkle with Heat and Stick powder. Lightly heat then sprinkle with flock and heat set. Punch out with smaller scalloped heart.
- 4. Punch out 2 ovals and one circle from brown cardstock as well as free hand cutting 2 antenna.
- 5. Sponge all butterfly sections then adhere to card. Stamp trail image.
- 6. Print words "Our has wings! Onto white cardstock making sure to leave room for the Love stamp. Print and trim. Stamp Love in saved space in embossing ink, sprinkle with red embossing powder and heat set. Secure strip to the card with brads.

# St. Patrick's Day Craft Projects

# **Lucky Clover Shoes**

Brighten up her days this spring or St. Patrick's Day with these glittery, lucky shoes.

## by DecoArt



## Materials:

DecoArt Products Required Americana Brushes

- DBL1000-B Liner 0
- DBR2002-B Round 2

## SoSoft Dimensional Writers

- DD318 Lime
- DD319 Bright Green

# Supplies

- Water container
- Foam plate
- Paper towels
- Scissors
- 1/4" flat brush
- Lo-temp glue gun



- 1/4" wide coordinating ribbon (We used green gingham.)
- Flame lighter or wood burning tool (optional)
- White canvas tennis shoes

- 1. Preparation: Remove any tags from shoes and remove laces.
- 2. Leaving edging of shoe unpainted, use flat brush and Lime to paint shoes; let dry.
- 3. On front section of shoes, use round brush and Bright Green to paint four small hearts with points meeting at center for each 4-leaf clover; use liner brush to add stem to clovers. Let dry.
- 4. Cut ribbon into lengths to match laces. Place glue over 1/2" of one ribbon end and roll up tightly; repeat for each ribbon end. Trim end evenly with scissors. Use wood burning tool or flame lighter to seal ribbon ends, if desired. (If using flame lighter, hold ribbon near flame to singe ends. USE WITH CAUTION.) Insert laces.



#### Yo-Yo Fabric Shamrock

Use heart yo-yos to create a lucky shamrock or three-leaf clover for St. Patrick's Day.

- 1. Use the tutorial below to create three heart yo-yos in any green fabric. You can also use three different complimentary fabrics. These are a fun way to use up scrap fabric in your stash.
- 2. Place two yo-yo hearts with the points touching and stitch together at the back about ½-1 inch, depending on the size of your hearts.
- 3. With the points together, stitch another heart to these on each side of the heart to create the look of a shamrock.
- 4. Add green ribbon, pipe cleaner, cord or you can even crochet a stem for your shamrock.
- 5. Give these as gifts on St. Patrick's Day or hang from ribbon as ornament to display in the window.

#### **Heart Yo-Yos**

- 1. Cut a large heart out from scrap fabric. It does not have to be perfect; that's the beauty of yo-yos!
- 2. Turn 3/8 inch of the fabric under on the left side of the heart.
- 3. Beginning at the top V-shaped indent of the heart, sew a long basting stitch counterclockwise. Stop at the point of the heart, leaving a several inch tail of thread for later.
- 4. With a second strand of thread, begin again at the V indent, but sew clockwise this time and end at the point of the heart. Leave a several inch tail again.
- 5. Pull both threads until you create a gathered heart shape (it won't be perfect yet) and tie the strands together to secure. A gap in the center of the heart is ok. You can use this side as the back of your yo-yo or cover with a button later.
- 6. Take your threaded needle and stick it inside the heart and up through where the indent of the heart should be. Make a very small stitch where you want the point of the V-indent and pull back towards the center of the gathered heart.
- 7. Secure this stitch to one of the gathers.
- 8. You can now sew on a button to cover the gap in the center if you wish, securing to the gathers.

# **Four Leaf Clover Charm**

We chose this pendant for its ease of construction, and in honor of St. Patrick's Day.

Courtesy of Bead Studio



- 4 Glass Heart Beads (We used 6mm Emerald)
- 3 1 1/2" Headpins
- GS Hypo Cement (Or any clear drying glue)
- Wirecutter
- Chain-nose or crimp pliers
- Round-nose pliers

# Steps:

1. With 2 of the headpins add a heart, trim wire and make a small loop with the tip of the roundnose pliers, as small as you can.





2. With the remaining headpin add one heartbead, the 2 looped heartbeads and the last heart bead, making sure all the points are facing the center.

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3. Wire wrap the end of the headpin to make the pendant.



4. Place down on a flat surface and glue the center of the clover to keep the beads in place. Before you glue consider how you will use the clover and direct the loop accordingly.

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# St. Patrick's Day Wreath

Hang a festive green ribbon and clover wreath on your door to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Have a little creative fun and be "Irish for a day," even without Irish heritage.

#### Materials:

- Wreath Base
- Green Mesh Ribbon
- Twine
- Embellishments- Green, white and yellow felt, Green and White silk flowers, Clover Confetti, Shamrock or Regular Green Fabric Yo Yos
- Glue gun
- Scissors

- 1. Wrap a 6 inch piece of twine around your wreath base or insert into the wreath base if wire or vine before decorating. Knot the ends together.
- 2. Wrap the ribbon around the base, doubling over by half as you go to completely cover the wreath base.
- 3. When you are satisfied with the way it looks, cut off the ribbon and glue down with a dot of hot glue. Press down gently.
- 4. Now you can decorate. Here are some ideas:
- Cut out shamrock shapes from pieces of green felt and glue to the wreath with a small dot of glue in the center. For an even better look, create a border around the shape in a different color of felt such as white or yellow.
- Hot glue large, green metallic clover confetti evenly around your wreath. Create small groups of three with different colors of green confetti.
- If using a Styrofoam base, you can stick small white rosettes or other silk flowers into the base through the ribbon. Or use pins.
- Secure shamrock yo-yos to the base with hot glue or pins. If you use pins, you can reuse the yo-yos for other projects.
- Use painted wood letters to spell out the Irish version of cheers, Slainte!



# **Lucky Charm Earrings**

No need for any more good luck charms when you make your Lucky Charm Earrings.

By Katie Hacker for Beadalon



#### Materials:

- 18" length of .015" diameter gold Beadalon 7 beading wire
- 28 gold #2 Beadalon crimp beads
- 6 peridot 6mm bicone Swarovksi crystal beads
- 8 peridot 4mm bicone Swarovksi crystal beads
- 2 gold ear wires
- Beadstorm<sup>TM</sup> Chain Nose Pliers
- Desginer Flush Cutters
- Desginer Crimper

- 1. To make the teardrop part of the earring: cut one 4" length of beading wire. Pass the end through a crimp bead, make a small loop and pass it back through the crimp bead. Crimp it.
- 2. Pass the wire through the following beads: crimp, 4mm, crimp, 6mm, crimp, 6mm, crimp, 6mm, crimp, 4mm, crimp. Don't crimp any of the crimp beads yet.
- 3. Pass the wire end through a crimp bead, make a small loop and pass it back through the crimp bead. Crimp it.
- 4. Adjust the beads so they're in the center of the wire, then crimp the outermost crimp beads on to hold the beaded section in place.
- 5. To make the cloverleaf shape: Cut a 5" length of beading wire. Fold it in half and pass the ends through a crimp bead; adjust it so it's 1/4" from the fold. Crimp it.
- 6. Hold the wires together and pass them through a 4mm bead and a crimp bead. Crimp it.



- 7. Pass each wire end through a crimp bead. Bend one wire in a loop and pass it back through the crimp bead. Crimp it. Repeat this step with the other wire.
- 8. Hold the wires together and pass them through a crimp bead, 4mm bead and a crimp bead. Crimp the crimp beads and cut off any extra wire.
- 9. To attach the wires to the earring, open the lower loop on the ear wire. Slide one end of the long wire onto the loop, then the cloverleaf, then the other end of the long wire. Close the ear wire loop.
- 10. Repeat Steps 1-9 to make a matching earring.

**Tip:** Choose beads in any shape or color for an equally dramatic effect.

# **Fourth of July Patriotic Crafts**

## **All American Tin**

Make this festive tin to hold tiny treasures in a country home, in your purse, at camp, or on a trip.

## Designed by Treasure It for Kreinik



#### Materials:

- Tin
- Patriotic scrapbook paper
- Red, white or blue fabric
- Kreinik #12 Braid metallic thread 003, 100, 051HL
- Diamond Beadlets®
- 4" x 6" Treasure Tape
- 1/2" Treasure Tape roll
- Shallow pan or tray
- Sand (optional)

- 1. Cut scrapbook paper (any scrap paper with a cool image is fine) to fit top of tin. Cut 1/8" smaller than lid.
- 2. Use glue stick or Treasure Tape scraps to secure image to tin.
- 3. Cut 4" x 6" Treasure Tape sheet to fit lid, then place it over the image.
- 4. Peel back red liner to expose sticky part, then decorate the image with metallic thread.



- 5. Place lid in shallow pan or tray, and cover with Diamond Beadlets®.
- 6. Use 1/2" Tape to wrap around side of tin.
- 7. Cut fabric pieces (or paper) to use to decorate. This creates a mosaic look.
- 8. Use metallic threads to add color and design.
- 9. Dip in Diamond Beadlets (or sand!)

**Tip:** When applying "stringy embellishments" like ribbon, embroidery threads and fibers to double-sided Treasure Tape, you can easily pull up the design and start again if you make a mistake or want to try a different design. When using red liner Treasure Tape it is best to cut with Teflon® coated scissors -- or use adhesive remover to wipe the residue off your scissors.

# Flag Quilt Block

## By: Treasure It for Kreinik

Here's a fun no-sew quilt block you can attach to a quilted background. Use your child's drawing, printed onto fabric, or create your own design on a piece of fabric. When you add beads, tape and thread, the result is 3-dimensional fun.



#### Materials:

- Two 8" x 10" sheets of Treasure Tape
- Treasure Tape star shapes
- Treasure Tape dots
- Diamond Beadlets
- Kreinik Facets in Sapphire Blue
- Kreinik #12 Braid in 100 White
- Blue satin 1/4" ribbon
- 1-inch wide white grosgrain ribbon
- Four small squares of denim fabric
- Four heart buttons (with flat backs)
- 8" x 10" blue printed fabric for background
- Strips of light red fabric and medium red fabric

- 1. Remove the white backing from your 8x10 sheet of Treasure Tape. Lay the blue fabric on the sticky tape, with the printed side facing the tape. Smooth out any bubbles.
- 2. Turn your fabric piece over and remove the red liner exposing the top sticky area.
- 3. Lay the white ribbon all around the edge of the fabric piece, pressing into the tape to adhere.



- 4. Lay strips of red fabric to replicate the stripes in a flag. Then lay blue 1/4" Ribbon in corner of the flag as shown in the photo. (Note: if you're using your child's drawing that you have printed in color on muslin, you won't need red fabric strips or the blue ribbon.)
- 5. Trim your remaining sheet of 8x10 Treasure Tape to be the size of your flag, minus the blue star area. If desired, make a template out of plain copy paper to use as a guide. Remove the white backing, then lay the cut-out flag shape right on top of your fabric flag.
- 6. Remove the red liner and lay Kreinik Facets as borders between rows of red and all around the border of the flag. Press the thread into the tape to make sure it adheres. (If desired, you can also decorate the red areas with Kreinik Fine #8 Braid in shades of red).
- 7. From your star sheet, place one large star in the blue square. Remove the red liner to expose the sticky area, then fill in the star shape using white Tapestry Braid. Press the braid into the tape to make sure it adheres.
- 8. When thread decorating is complete, lay your design in a shallow pan or tray and cover all remaining sticky areas with Diamond Beadlets.
- 9. Using scraps of tape or the tape dots, attach the blue denim pieces in each corner. 10. Using scraps of tape or tape dots, attach the heart buttons in the center of each denim square.

#### **Patriot Plate**

Show your patriotism with this etched glass plate.

**Courtesy of Armour Products** 



#### Materials:

- 1- #15-0150 Armour Etch Cream 3 oz
- 1 8" Round Glass Plate
- 1 sheet #20-0436 God Bless America
- 2 sheets #20-0223 Ornate Alphabet (cut out 4 ea U,S,A)
- 1 sheet #20-0402 Stars (4 of the largest, and 1 strip of the smallest)
- Plastic or rubber gloves
- 8 1/2" x 11" pc blank paper
- Pen or Pencil
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Lint free paper towel
- Glass cleaner
- masking tape
- Disposable craft brush

- 1. To make a template guide: Trace around outside edge of plate. Cut out the paper circle with a scissor, then fold it in half, then fold again & again until when opened, you have eight pie shaped wedges. Using a pencil & ruler, mark all of the fold lines. Mark off the lines like the positions of the numbers on a face of a clock, using only the 12, 3, 6 and 9. Lay your plate right side up on top of the paper with the number 12 positioned at the top.
- 2. Take the letter "S" and apply one each to the outside rim of the plate, at 12 o'clock, 3 o'clock, 6 o'clock, and 9 o'clock as shown in the photo. Next rub down the letter "U" to the left, and the letter "A" to the right of each "S", slightly overlapping the blue edges of each (see basic instructions for using Rub N Etch letters).
- 3. Next, place one of the largest stars halfway between each of the words USA and rub down.
- 4. On either side of the big star, place 2 of the smallest stars and rub down.



- 5. Center one of the "God Bless America" flags in the center of the plate and rub down.
- 6. Mask off all around all stencil pieces and cover open areas with tape.
- 7. Apply the Armour Etch cream with a brush (please refer to the website or your Rub'N'Etch stencil package for detailed information.
- 8. Wait 60 seconds, then rinse and dry.

# **Stars and Stripes Game Box**

By Shelia Sommers for Delta Creative

This great Stars and Stripes Game Box is not only fun to play with -- it's fun and easy to make!



- Delta Ceramcoat® Acyrlic Paint:
- White (2505)
  - o Opaque Blue (2508)
  - o Opaque Red (2507)
- Brushes
- Delta Ceramcoat Gloss Interior Varnish
- Delta Jewel Glue<sup>TM</sup>
- Star shaped paper mache box
- Clear and red star shaped jewels
- 5 small round red jewels
- Old toothbrush
- Palette paper
- Water container
- Tracing paper
- Ruler

## Tips:

- To aid in painting the stripes around the sides of the box, use masking tape. The only trick is to make sure that the edges of the tape are securely fastened to the surface of the box.
- To prevent the tape from pulling up the paint from the box, place the masking tape on your clothes, removing it several times to reduce the stickiness of the tape.

- 1. Paint the bottom of the box with sufficient coats of Delta Ceramcoat White to produce an opaque shade of color.
- 2. Paint the lid Opaque Blue.



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- 3. Starting at the bottom of the box wrap a strip of tape around the perimeter of the box. Wrap a second piece of tape up next to the first. Remove the first piece of tape and place it up next the second butting the edges up next to one another. Place a third piece of tape up next to the previous piece, again butting the edges up next to each other. Remove the middle piece of tape and continue adding stripes to the bottom of the box, up to the top.
- 4. Paint the exposed stripes on the sides of the box Opaque Red. Carefully remove the tape and dry. With your brush and the appropriate color of paint touch up any places where the color may have gone underneath the tape.
- 5. Thin Opaque Blue slightly with water from an old toothbrush and speckle the sides of the box.
- 6. With a pencil draw a line 3/8" from the edges of the lid. To the center of the lid draw a tic-tac-toe board.
- 7. Using the liner brush paint the lines for tic-tac-toe and the lines along the edges White.
- 8. Transfer the wording to the sides of the lid and paint the letters White.
- 9. Allow the paint to dry and apply 2 to 3 coats of Delta Ceramcoat Gloss Interior Varnish to the entire box.
- 10. Glue the small round jewels to the tips of the stars on the lid using Delta Jewel Glue.

# **Star Bangled Bracelet**

By: DecoArt

Here's a patriotic project for you: a wooden bracelet all decked out in shining paint colors of the American flag.



## DecoArt Products Required Americana Gloss Enamels

- DAG01 White
- DAG36 True Blue
- DAG265 Tuscan Red

#### Americana Brushes

• DBR2002-B - Round 2

## **Supplies**

- 1/4" flat brush
- Foam plate
- 2" square of cardstock
- Sectioned wood bangle bracelet, Bangle Creations; Randa International, Inc., 10448055

#### **Instructions:**

Preparation: Remove all stickers or labels from surface before painting

1. Alternating colors and painting one side at a time, paint sections of bracelet White, Tuscan Red, and True Blue. Let dry.



- 2. Use small round brush to paint White stripes on Tuscan Red bracelet sections; let dry.
- 3. Dip end of brush handle in White and dot on True Blue sections. Let dry.
- 4. Trace and cut star pattern from center of cardstock. Trace star onto center of each White bracelet section. Paint stars Tuscan Red or True Blue, and let dry.

## Helpful Hint

For ease in painting sections, stretch bracelet over a can or glass covered in plastic wrap when painting.

# **Painted Stars and Stripes Planter**

By: Deborah Brooks for Krylon

These colorful stars and stripes planters are perfect for a patriotic party or any summer garden.



#### Materials:

- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Primer White (#51315)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Regal Blue (#51901)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint True Blue (#51910)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint Cherry Red (#52101)
- Krylon Indoor/Outdoor Paint White (#51501)
- Krylon Crystal Clear Acrylic Clear (#1303)
- Krylon Leafing Pens 18 KT. Gold (#9901)
- Epoxy glue
- Elmer's® Carpenter's Wood Filler
- 1" wide masking tape (low tack)
- Contact® paper
- (4) 6" terra cotta pots
- (2) 10" terra cotta pots
- Newspaper
- Fine and medium grain sandpaper
- Tack cloth
- Scissors

#### Steps:

1. Following the manufacturer's instructions, use the epoxy glue to fasten the bottoms of terra cotta pots together. Refer to photo for placement. Let dry.



- 2. Apply wood filler to the seams. Let dry. Sand the seams smooth, starting with medium grain sandpaper and finishing with fine grain sandpaper. Using tack cloth, remove dust.
- 3. Spray each planter with White Primer. Let dry. Spray with Gloss White. Let dry.
- 4. Cut various size stars from Contact paper. Set aside.
- 5. Referring to photo, place the masking tape evenly around the top, middle and base of the pots (anywhere white stripes appear). Place several stars over the pot (wherever you want white stars to appear). Spray the planters Cherry Red. Let dry.
- 6. Place masking tape over the red stripes. Referring to photo, place several stars over the pot (wherever you want red stars to appear). Spray the planters True Blue. Let dry.
- 7. Referring to photo, place several stars over the pot (wherever you want blue stars to appear). Spray the planters Regal Blue. Let dry.
- 8. Remove the tape and stars. Outline stripes and stars with 18 KT. Gold Leafing Pen. Let dry.
- 9. Spray Crystal Clear over entire project. Let dry and fill with plants of your choice.



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