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Distress Stain Watercoloring Tutorial

Distress Stains have such wonderful intense color -- they really hold up well when used with water. They blend beautifully, too!



Supplies:

- Black Pigment Ink or VersaMark Ink
- Black Embossing Powder
- 3-4 Colors of Distress Inks
- Water Brush/Aqua Painter
- Heat Tool
- Paper Towel
- Stamp to be Watercolored



Step One:

Stamp the image with the pigment or VersaMark ink. Apply embossing powder, remove excess, and heat emboss.



Step Two:

Get the ink flowing from one of the stains by pressing onto the paper towel.



Step Three:

Use the wet waterbrush to pick up color on the brush.



Step Five:

Use the paper towel to remove excess color if necessary.



Step Seven:

Get the ink flowing from another color by pressing onto the paper towel.



Step Four:

Apply the stain color to the appropriate area on the image, using water to move the color around.



Step Six:

To lighten up the image and blend the color, clean off the brush and use just water to move the stain color.



Step Eight:

Add the second color to other areas of the image as desired.



Step Nine:

To add a second color to an already-colored image, just apply it over the watercolored area and use the waterbrush to blend.



Step Eleven:

Immediately use the waterbrush to blend and lighten the colors, if desired.



Step Twelve:

If too much water remains on the image, blot with a paper towel. This may remove color; apply more if needed. Add remaining colors.

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Step Ten:

To add color to large open areas, apply the ink directly to the image using the sponge top of the stain bottle.



Step Eleven Continued



Step Thirteen:

Allow stain colors to air dry. Cut to size and finish piece as desired.

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Artist: Pat Huntoon

Stamps: Just for Fun; Stampin' Up!

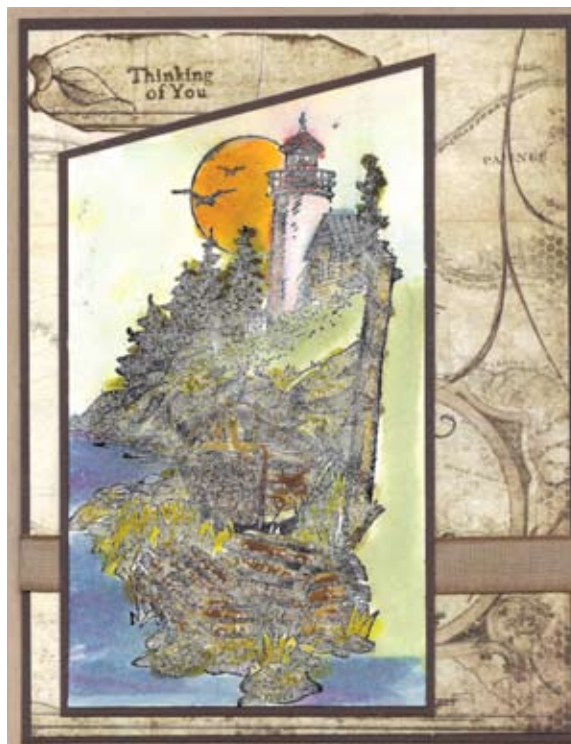
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