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Palette:

DecoArt Americana Acrylics

Black Green #13157

Dioxazine Purple #13101

Hauser Light Green #13131

Honey Brown #13163

Ocean Blue #13260

Titanium White #13001

Burnt Sienna #13063

Hauser Dark Green #13133

Hauser Medium Green #13132

Lamp Black #13067

Olive Green #13056

Wild Orchid #13233

Surface:

Roc-Lon Multi-Purpose Cloth #40136

Scroll Single Stand #70849

Misc. Supplies:

Americana Acrylic Spray Sealer/Finisher – Matte #70836

White Chalk Pencil #70200

Four sets 7/8" square hook & loop fasteners (available at craft or fabric stores)

Sponge or Paper Towels

Brushes:

Papillon by the Artist's Club

Glaze Wash, size ¾" #20102

Round, size 3 #20159

Filbert, size 6 #20118

Shader, size 2 #20125; size 12 #20131

Liner, size 18/0 #20144; size 1 #20147

Preparation:

Cut a piece of the Roc-Lon to measure 14" X 6-1/2". Cut out an area on each side of the bottom of the Roc-Lon that measures 2" high X ½" wide. After your background is dry, measure down 1" from the top and using your white chalk pencil, draw a line across the banner on the back side. This, you will fold over to attach to the stand after the painting is complete. At the bottom of the banner, measure up 2" and draw a line. This will be folded over when the painting is finished to attach to the stand. Basecoat the front & back of the banner with Black Green. Let Dry

Background

Using your ¾" Glaze Wash brush, dampen the front of the banner with water – you want it to be wet, but not any puddles.

Hauser Medium Green, Olive Green – On your palette make 2 puddles of paint. Using a wadded wet paper towel or sponge, dip into the Hauser Medium Green and randomly "sponge" all over the banner, allowing the background to still be seen. Then dip into the Olive Green and do the same. Continue this until the banner resembles an out of focus swampy area. Let dry well. Transfer the main pattern lines.

Painting Instructions:

Dragonfly

Lamp Black – base head; eyes; and body

Wild Orchid – base thorax

Titanium White – make a wash and base in the wings – you will want these to be transparent

Ocean Blue – float a highlight on the left side of the head and body

Titanium White – with your liner add a shine line to the head and body over the Ocean Blue highlight; add a dot to each eye

Dioxazine Purple – add the x's down the back of the thorax

Ocean Blue – with the tip of your lines, add the dots down the back of the thorax

Titanium White – Place a shine line at the top of each x on the back of the thorax and with a very light touch place a faint shine line down the center of the thorax

Dioxazine Purple – Float a skinny shade down each side of the thorax

Titanium White – add the lines to the wings; float a shade at the bottom of each wing; outline the wings

Cattails

Burnt Sienna – base the top the cattails

Honey Brown – float a highlight on the left side of each and add the spike at the top of each

Hauser Medium Green – pull in the stems

Hauser Light Green – line a highlight on the stems

Hauser Dark Green – Float a shade under each brown cattail

Hauser Light; Medium & Dark Greens – using these colors, and the size 2 Shader, pull in the leaves. I did some with solid colors; then double loaded the brush and added more – never clean the brush between loads as this will give you a wide variety of green colors

Black Green – place a wide float along the bottom of the design

Finishing:

Finish with a couple coats of Americana Acrylic Spray Sealer/Finisher – Matte, on both sides. Let each side dry before doing the other.

Crease the Roc-Lon along the lines drawn at the beginning. Lay the surface over the frame and attach a set of the hook & loop squares at each corner. I attached the bottom first, then brought the Roc-Lon through the frame at the top and made sure it was taut.



Pattern at 100%

1" x 1"

To ensure your pattern is at 100%, this box should measure 1" x 1" when printed.



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