## CREATIVE STENCILING

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WORK AREA<br>- Select colors<br>- Fold several paper towels in half and place next to painting hand

- Damp sponge the piece


## STENCIL PLACEMENT

- Position and hold (or tape) in place overlay \#1
- May lightly trace registration marks (small holes at top of stencil) with pencil


## LOADING BRUSH

- Use flat round headed stencil brush
- Dip tip only into color
- Swirl brush several times on paper towel to remove excess color


## BRUSH STENCILING

- Hold stencil down with free hand
- Hold brush straight up and down...use circular motion and brush over edge of stencil openings
- Work color from outside edge towards center


## LOADING SPONGE

- Moisten sponge and remove excess water
- Pounce corner of sponge in color
- Pounce repeatedly on paper towel to remove excess color


## OR

## SPONGE STENCILING

- Hold stencil down with free hand
- Pounce sponge straight up and down over edge of stencil openings
- Work color from outside edge towards center


## CONTINUE STENCILING

- When all openings on overlay $\# I$ are stenciled...remove
- Position overlay \#2 ...match registration marks...stencil all cutout areas
- If applicable continue with overlay \#3 and \#4


## TIPS AND HINTS

- Use light pressure to prevent color seeping under edges or too heavy of a buildup aiong edges
- The amount of color in the brush will determine the success of your project - Leave centers free of color for highlight
- Stencil all over with desired color... highlight with a lighter color...shade with a darker color


