



Products Used

Color

Foundations [FN-001 White](#)

Stroke & Coat: [SC-6 Sunkissed](#), [SC-27 Sour Apple](#), [SC-11 Blue Yonder](#), [SC-75 Orange-A-Peel](#) and [SC-74 Hot Tamale](#), [SC-15 Tuxedo](#)

Decorating Accessories

[BT-910 - Synthetic Sponge](#)

Mayco Brushes

[CB-604 #4 Soft Fan](#)

Additional Materials

Raffia, Paper Towels

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Introduction

Students will use non traditional decorating tools (raffia) to apply glaze and create design. Students will learn to explore and expand their notions of design and the use of decorating tools. Cross-curriculum objectives can easily be incorporated into the design objectives discussed prior to the actual completion of the project (i.e., mathematics: concept of symmetry and congruency).

National Standards

- Understanding and Applying Media, Techniques, and Processes
- Choosing and Evaluating a Range of Subject Matter, Symbols, and Ideas
- Making Connections Between Visual Arts and Other Disciplines

Instructions

1. The subject matter that will be used to inspire design should have been thoroughly discussed during previous classes.
2. Begin with properly fired shelf cone 04 tiles. Moisten a clean sponge and wipe the tile to remove any dust.
3. Using a CB-604 #4 Soft fan, apply 1 coat of FN-00 White to the tile. Let dry.
4. Dispense various Stroke & Coat® colors onto a palette (in this project we used SC-6 Sunkissed, SC-27 Sour Apple, SC-11 Blue Yonder, SC-75 Orange-A-Peel and SC-74 Hot Tamale).
5. Using a Palette Knife (or similar tool), apply the colors as if buttering toast.
6. While the glazes are still wet, use a paper towel to pat and lightly blend the colors where they meet.

7. Preparing the raffia: cut strips of varying thickness and lightly moisten strands of raffia in water.
8. Dispense SC-15 Tuxedo onto a palette and slide a strand of raffia, back and forth, through the SC-15 Tuxedo to load color onto the raffia.
9. Place the raffia onto the tile according to the design parameters chosen. Let dry.
10. Stilt and fire to shelf cone 06.