

ImpressArt®

"Best Mum Ever" – Personalized Mother's Day Charm Bracelet

Skill Level: Intermediate

Tools & Supplies

- Ergo-Angle™ Metal Stamping Hammer
- Steel Block
- Stamp Guides™
- Stamp Tape™
- Chain Nose Pliers (2)
- Willow™, Uppercase, 4mm
- Carnation, Ultra Detail Stamp, 12mm
- Daisy, Ultra Detail Stamp, 12mm
- Lotus, Ultra Detail Stamp, 12mm
- Dot Design Stamp, 0.5mm
- Circle w/ Hole Stamping Blank, 3/4", Brass
- Artisan Jump Rings, 7mm, 18K Gold Plated
- Artisan Charm Bracelet, 7", 18K Gold Plated
- Polishing Cloth, Paper Towel, or Clean Rag



Note: Name/word impressions and charm locations are completely up to the designer.

STEP 1

Place a circle stamping blank on stamping block. Position Flower Ultra Detail Design Stamp on the blank. Use the Tilt & Tap technique to stamp 6mm and larger stamps, or stamps with more details. While applying pressure to the stamp, strike once with medium force. Then without lifting the stamp, continue to strike while very slightly tilting the stamp in a circular motion to catch all sides of the design.

TIP: If the stamp has an ImpressArt logo, make sure it is facing you so that the impression is stamped in the correct direction.

TIP: Use stamp tape to secure the blank to the stamping block so it doesn't move while stamping.

NOTE: Harder metals and stamps with more detail require a harder strike than softer metals and stamps with less detail.

STEP 2

Stamp on a curve around the perimeter of the blank by placing your stamp on the blank and lightly dragging it towards the edge until the outside edge of the stamp is even with the edge of the blank. Hold stamp flat and firmly in place by anchoring the side of your hand on workspace. Then strike stamp once with medium force using Metal Stamping Hammer. Repeat to complete desired message and to finish stamping the remaining blanks.

TIP: As you work, turn the stamping block. This will ensure that the stamp is facing the correct direction.

STEP 3

Highlight impressions with Black Stamp Enamel. Wait 3-5 minutes and then wipe away the excess enamel from the surface of the blanks. To create an antiqued oxidized look, repeat the enamel process by applying Silver Stamp Enamel over the black enameled impressions.

STEP 4

Use the fine and super fine grit on the High Polish Finishing Block to clean and buff metal to a high shine.

NOTE: High Polish Finish Blocks & Matte Finish Buffing blocks can be used on all ImpressArt blanks excluding ImpressArt Artisan collection plated blank.

STEP 5

Use the tips of two chain nose pliers to grasp the sides of a jump ring, with the opening of the jump ring facing up between the two pliers. Laterally twist each side of the jump ring in opposite directions to open the ring. Slide blank and desired bracelet chain link onto jump ring. Laterally twist the jump ring back with tension to close. Repeat to attach all remaining blanks.

NOTE: Do NOT pull outwards on the jump ring as it will weaken the metal and distort the circular shape of the ring.

STEP 6

Close clasp to complete the charm bracelet.