

### “Treasured Trinkets” – Stamped Ring Dish

**Skill Level:** Advanced

#### Tools & Supplies

- Metal Stamping Starter Kit
  - Ergo-Angle™ Metal Stamping Hammer
  - Steel Block
  - Stamp Enamel Marker™
  - Stamp Guides™
  - Stamp Tape™
- Multi-Function Hammer Kit w/Chasing Head
- Southwestern Mandala Stamp Pack
- Circle w/ Hole Stamping Blank, 1 3/4”, Alkemé
- Tweezer
- Polishing Cloth, Paper Towel, or Clean Rag



#### STEP 1

Place circle stamping blank on stamping block. Center the pattern grid over the 1 1/2” circle blank to secure it to the stamping block.

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

#### STEP 2

Start mandala pattern from the center using the lines and circles marks as guides to assist with spacing. Hold design stamps 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.

**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 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 stamp, continue to strike while very slightly tilting the stamp in a circular motion to catch all sides of the design.

#### STEP 3

Continue stamping to the outside edge of the blank, turning the stamping block while working to complete the circular pattern. This will ensure that the stamp is facing the correct direction. Remove the pattern grid.

**TIP:** Use Tweezer

#### STEP 4

Highlight impressions with Stamp Enamel. Wait 3-5 minutes and then dab the excess enamel into the impressions with a paper towel before lightly wiping it away from the surface of the blank.

#### STEP 5

Place circle blank, stamped side up, inside dapping cavity of dapping block. Hold punch in center of blank and tap the punch with the Metal Stamping Hammer. Then continue to tap the punch while rotating the punch at an angle in the dapping cavity until blank is evenly domed into a concave shape.

#### STEP 6

Turn the dapped, stamped blank over so that it’s upside down on the stamping block. Place chasing texture stamp in the Multi-Function Hammer, with the notch in the stamp facing down. Secure stamp in the hammer by tightening the screw at the bottom of the hammer. Hold the hammer with your palm of your hand over the screw and use two fingers, to hold the blank in place. Then strike the middle of the blank repeatedly in a circular motion with medium force to flatten the center. This will ensure that the ring dish will sit flat.