

ImpressArt

School of Stamping | Level

"Initial Here" – Necklace

Tools & Supplies

- Metal Stamping Hammer
- Stamping Block
- Stamp Enamel Marker™
- Stamp Tape™
- Chain Nose Pliers (2)
- ImpressArt® Letter, Number, & Design Stamps
- ImpressArt® Stamping Blanks, Small Circle Tag, 3/8"
- Ball Chain Necklace
- Jump Ring, 7mm
- Polishing Cloth, Paper Towel, or Clean Rag

STEP 1

Place small circle tag on stamping block. Position stamp of your choice in the center of the tag. Hold stamp flat and firmly in place by anchoring the side of your hand on work-space. Then strike stamp once with medium force using Metal Stamping Hammer. Repeat on as many blanks as desired.

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 small circle tag to the stamping block so it doesn't move while stamping. You will be able to stamp through the tape into the circle tag.

STEP 2

Position 6mm design stamp in the center of the blank. Stamp using the Tilt & Tap technique.

TIP – TILT & TAP: 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

Highlight impressions with Stamp Enamel. Wait 3-5 minutes and then wipe away the excess enamel from the surface of the tags.



STEP 4

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 tag onto jump ring. Laterally twist the jump ring back with tension to close. Repeat with remaining tags.

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

STEP 5

Slide ball chain through each stamped tag and clasp chain.