How To.

Stamp with Cosmic Shimmer Flake & Glitter Glue – also Gilding Flakes

Materials You Will Need:
- Grand Calibur™ Die Cutting Machine
- Spellbinders Enchanted Frame Die & Labels 28 Die
- Parchment
- Tim Holtz Frosted Film, Game Spinners & Sketchbook Tissue Tape
- Sam Poole A5 Art Flowers Plate
- Non-Stick Craft Sheet
- Coffee Archival Ink Pad & Cosmic Shimmer Clear Embossing Powder
- Creative Expressions Stamps to Die For....Flower Frame
- Cosmic Shimmer Persian Dawn - Gilding Flakes
- Deep Red & Cast Bronze Creative Expressions Gilding Wax
- Wax Paper, Heat Tool & Rub It Scrub It
- Cut n’ Dry Foam & Cut n’ Dry Felt
- Coconut A4 Card, Antique Card & Red Hammered Card
- Cosmic Shimmer Flake & Glitter Glue
- Adirondack Gold Dabber
- Self Adhesive Pearl Swirl

This workshop features a few ideas using the Cosmic Shimmer gilding flakes and also the flake and glitter glue. The Flower created by stamping onto Tim Holtz frosted film.

Select the Sam Poole ‘art flowers’ stamp plate & the flower frame from the ‘stamps to die for...’ range along with the Tim Holtz frosted film, a self adhesive sheet and parchment. The clearly art product is optional.

Cut a piece of the frosted film and make sure it is lying flat and with no crease marks on the film.

Ink the stamp by tapping the coffee archival ink pad over the stamp to build up the ink.

Stamp the image directly onto the frosted film & cover with clear Cosmic Shimmer embossing powder.

Heat set the embossing powder making sure the heat tool is moved about on the film so it doesn’t scorch. The embossing powder will turn quickly so there should be no issue but it was just worth mentioning to be careful.

Roughly cut around the design & place the flower onto a piece of parchment.
Repeat the process and stamp & emboss 3 more heads of the flower before added them to the parchment.

Cut out the main flower and stem using a small pair of scissors or decoupage snips. Leave a small area of parchment around the image so the embossing powder does not chip. Cut out one full flower head & then just one with 3 petals & the other is just the clock face.

Select the stamps to die for... flower frame, the flake & glitter glue, the Cosmic Shimmer Persian Dawn gilding flakes, a scrapper & and piece of cut’n’dry foam.

Add a layer of the Cosmic Shimmer flake & glitter glue to the piece of cut’n’dry foam to start to create your own glue pad.

Take a scrapper tool or even a flat ice lolly stick and work the glue into the top of the cut’n’dry foam.

Once completed the foam will look like this. If you don’t feel there is enough glue on the pad, add another layer but don’t overload the foam.

Add the frame stamp onto an acrylic block and gently tap the loaded glue foam onto the stamp. PLEASE HAVE A BOWL OF WATER READY TO PLACE THE STAMP INTO AS SOON AS IT IS USED. IF THIS IS NOT DONE IT WILL RUIN YOUR STAMP.

Stamp the image onto a piece of the antique gold card. Make sure the image is just kissed onto the card & removed quickly else the glue will stick the stamp & the card together.

Open the jar of gilding flakes & with the stamped image in a container ease some of the flakes out.

Add a layer of the flakes onto the tacky image making sure there is a nice amount of flakes as any excess will be returned to the pot.
Rub the flakes into the image making sure more flakes are added into any area that has been missed.

Take a piece of the rub it scrub foam & work this flat across the surface of the card, this will bring up the detail of the stamped image leaving it smooth and it will remove any unwanted flakes.

Return the excess pieces of gilding flakes back into the pot or alternatively leave the flakes in a lidded container so they will be ready to use on another project.

Attach a piece of white card to a piece of adhesive film leaving the top side with the film backing on, and then add a piece of wax paper in between the die and adhesive sheet. Secure the pieces with some low tack tape.

Add other frames which you want in your project onto the large Grand Calibur™ plate. Make sure the smaller enchanted frame is cut in the antique gold card.

Pass the base plate, the dies and cutting plate sandwich through the Grand Calibur™ die cutting machine.

A good tip when using adhesive sheets and flakes or micro beads is to cut away any card that will be covered with a die cut shape as you’ll use less product which wouldn’t be seen any way & they’ll be a cut shape for another project. So cut the largest labels 28 die in a pearl white card & place the next size down die in the centre of the frame & cut these two shapes out.

Remove the backing from the frame.

Then place the frame in a plastic box and tip the Cosmic Shimmer gilding flakes over the adhesive sheet.
Press the gilding flakes into the sticky sheet.

Now remove the frame from the box and place it on a piece of copy or scrap paper. Use the rub it scrub it foam to burnish the flakes into the frame.

Lay the prepared elements of the project to gain an idea of how they will be arranged later on.

With the smaller enchanted frame on mat, dab some of the Adirondack gold paint around the edges of the frame.

So now the layers are building up, fold an A4 sheet of hammered red card in half. Attach the tissue tape around the 4 edges of the card leaving a 2mm gap of red card.

Either add some of the Creative Expressions cast bronze gilding wax to the tip of your finger or add it to a piece of felt foam. Add the wax at random over the tape making sure you press into the tape to pick up the hammered card effect.

Now go in with the deep red gilding wax to bring the colours from the gilding flakes in the frame.

Add foam tape to the back of the frame. Use the solid areas & add 3d glue on the corners if you want them secured down.
Place the frame onto the prepared base card. Add the pearl white labels 28 shape to frame again using foam tape for added dimension.

Select a Tim Holtz game spinner as these are ideal to join the clock face & flower heads together.

Piece a pin, scissors or a small pokey tool through the centre of the flowers heads.

Use the brads to secure the game spinners through all 4 layers of the flower. Once in place curve the petals upward to add dimension to the piece.

Stamp a 'Follow your Dreams' sentiment on a piece of card using the coffee ink pad. Cut the sentiment out & add it to the corner of the card once it’s assembled.

Layer the small enchanted frame onto the card with foam tape & the attach the stamped with gilded flake panel onto the card with double foam tape pieces added to the top and bottom of the panel to take into account of the depth of the horizontal frame.

Add the flower & sentiment onto the card using 3d glue or some Cosmic Shimmer glue to complete the project.