

create original art for your home!



canvas décor

project sheet

Project Materials

Stretched Canvas _____

Two square canvases

Suggested Acrylic Colors _____

Small tubes of these colors:

Quinacridone Magenta

Cadmium Yellow

Titanium White



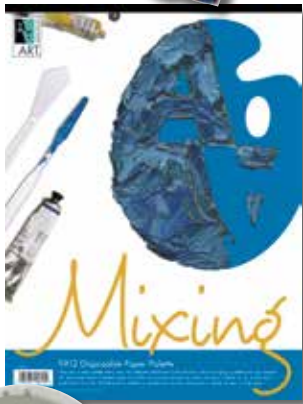
Acrylic Medium _____

Any acrylic texture medium such as pumice, fibers, sand, glass beads or stucco.



Other Supplies _____

- Medium size brushes
- Color mixing cup(s) or palette
- Palette/mixing knife
- Compass or round household objects (jar, small plate, etc.)



Project Idea: *Touchable Texture*



Project Difficulty Level:
EASY

Follow the instructions in the project sheet to create the design shown here, or let your imagination be your guide. You can use the suggested colors and shapes, or choose your own. Remember, it's your choice, so have fun with it.

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Project Concept

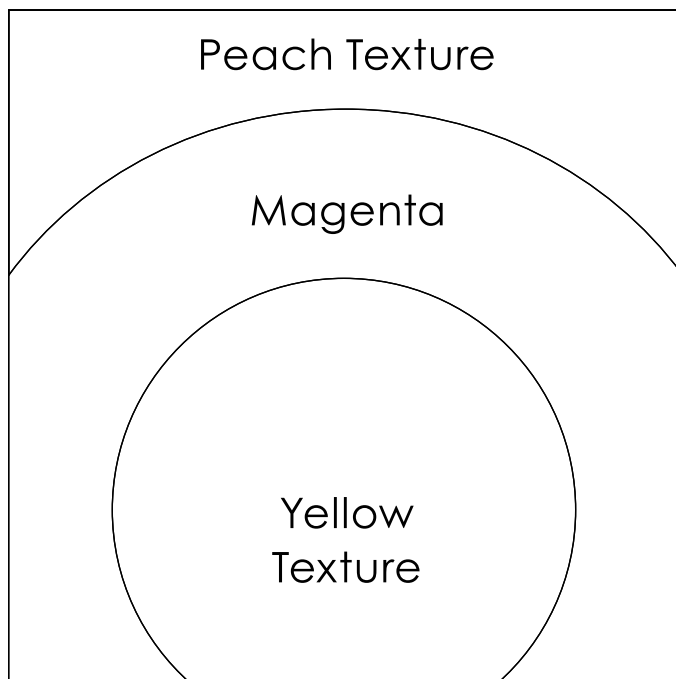
PROJECT TIME: Approximately 1 HOUR + drying time
PROJECT DIFFICULTY LEVEL: EASY

In this project you'll use acrylic texture medium to create décor artwork that begs to be touched. Using very basic shapes, color and the texture of your choice, you'll create a piece of artwork with both visual and tactile interest.

Part 1: Drawing the Design

Lay the two canvases side by side on a work surface as you intend to hang them when finished, leaving some space between them. Using a compass or the edge of a round household item (such as a jar or a small plate) as a guide, lightly pencil in curves as shown in the sample below.

Alternative: Use any design motif you like – try basic shapes like squares, triangles, stripes, etc. The key to this project is color and texture. Let your existing décor guide your choice of shape and color.



Part 2: Painting the Design

The following color mixing instructions will get you started. Modify them to achieve precisely the colors you want.

Start by painting the untextured areas and sides of the canvas first, then apply the textured areas. You can paint the sides of the canvas a solid color or choose to continue the shape from the front. Apply two coats or more if necessary for complete coverage.

Mixing & Application Tips:

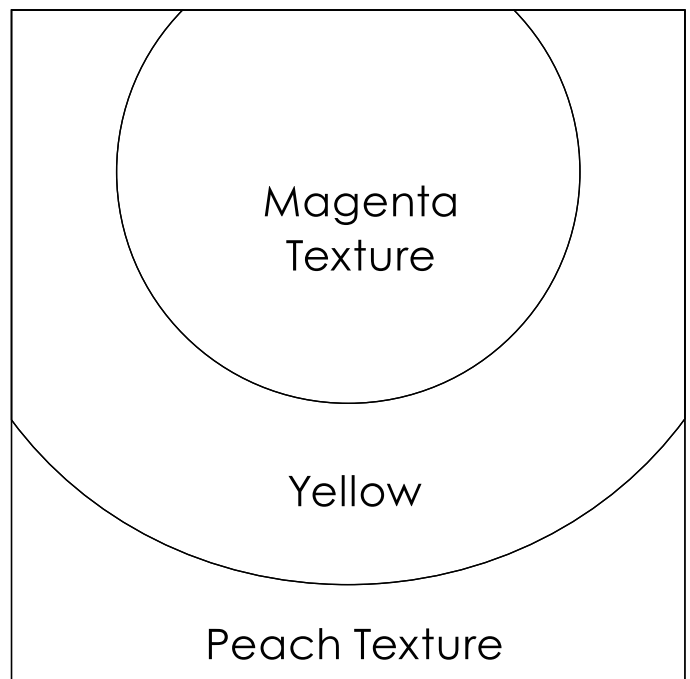
Thin acrylic color with a little water to make it spread easier. Wash the brush thoroughly with water between each application of color. Never allow acrylic color to dry on the brush.

Magenta: Mix Quinacridone Magenta with a small amount of White.

Yellow: Mix White with Cadmium Yellow and a tiny amount of Quinacridone Magenta.

Peach: Mix Cadmium Yellow with a smaller amount of Quinacridone Magenta and some White.

Texture Areas: Mix the colors as above and then add an amount of acrylic texture medium, mixing the medium in well. Apply to the canvas generously in the areas designated for texture, to create a dimensional surface. Build up to the thickness you like.



Finally, set the canvases aside to dry and then hang your completed artwork. Nice work!

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