

# "First Blooms of Spring"

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**Suggested Palette – DecoArt Americana Acrylics:** Raspberry, Burgundy Wine, Hauser Light Green, Plantation Pine, Turquoise Blue, Gingerbread, Milk Chocolate, Burnt Umber, Bleached Sand. (DecoArt Glamour Dust Glitter Paint if desired: Limelight; Sizzling Red; Gold Glitz).

**Suggested Brushes – Jo Sonja Sure Touch:** #¾ and #¼ Oval Glaze; #1 Round; #18/0 Liner; #10 flat. Misc Supplies: Stylus; wood glue.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** (Sand, seal, and sand the surface as desired).

## **BACKGROUND:**

1. Load the ¾ Oval Glaze brush in Bleached Sand and coat an area of the surface, then tip the brush into one of the colors from your palette (I listed the colors I used above. Blend it out, softening the application. Always reload in Bleached Sand before tipping it into another color, (I worked with a dirty brush). Let dry.
2. Float edges with ¾ Oval Glaze using colors from your palette: Burgundy Wine, Burnt Umber (and any other colors you choose!) float in random fashion.

## **BOUQUET:**

### **Petals:**

1. Using Raspberry and the ¼ Oval Glaze base the petals; tip into Bleached Sand and casually highlight.
2. Using Burgundy Wine, shade with the 10 flat; pull vein lines out with the same color, using the liner. Float highlights with side-load of Bleached Sand. (*Optional tints: Gingerbread!*)

### **Centers:**

1. Casually base in Milk Chocolate; while wet tip brush in Bleached Sand for highlight.
2. The dots are Bleached Sand, using the stylus.

### **Stems & Leaves:**

1. Base the stems and leaves using the ¼ oval glaze and Hauser Light Green (or Foliage Green, Jade Green, etc); while wet, tip into Bleached Sand to highlight.
2. Shade with the 10 flat and Plantation Pine. Float highlights with side-load of Bleached Sand. Tints: Burgundy Wine and/or Turquoise Blue.
3. Use the liner and thin Plantation Pine, pull vines out around the bouquet.

**TIE (Wrap):** Turquoise Blue, while wet, tip into Bleached Sand for highlight. Use the 10 flat and a side-load of Warm White to add a back-to-back float down thru the center. Add stylus dots of Warm White.

**LETTERING:** Use the #1 round and thin Burnt Umber (or color of your choice) and stroke letters on. Overstroke with Bleached Sand; Stylus dots are Burnt Umber.

**FINISHING:** Erase any remaining graphite. (*If you purchase the wood kit from Valhalla, it has the little easel 'feet' - I just stained those with Burnt Umber.*) **Optional Glamour Dust Glitter Paint:** Side-load and swish through areas with Limelight; Gold Glitz; and Sizzling Red. Varnish as desired and glue the bouquet on using good wood glue.

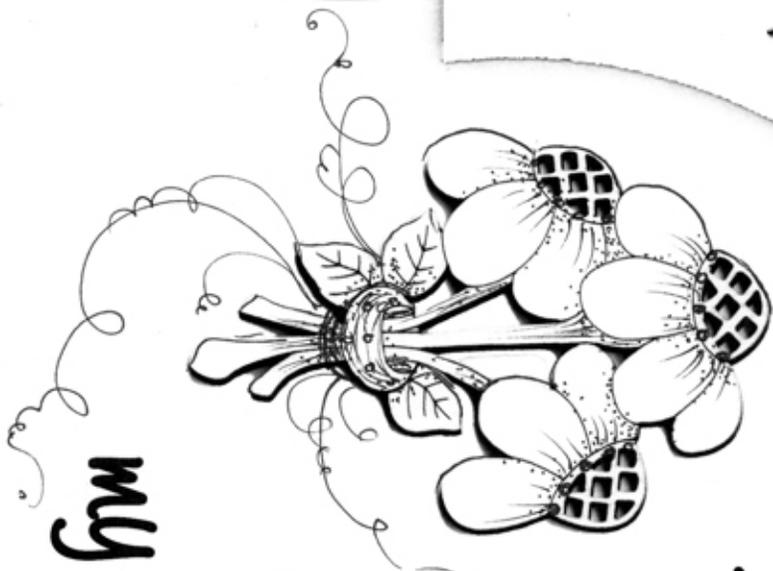


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