## **Grafix Opaque White Craft Plastic Mini Art Journal**

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Make your own mini version of an art journal using Grafix Opaque White Craft Plastic Film and Artist Series Shrink Film.

## Supplies:

Grafix Opaque White Craft Plastic Film Grafix Artist Series Shrink Film – Marlene-van Niekerk Assortment Paper doily Paper with book text Circle Paper Punch Permanent markers Scissors Stencils or Masks 99% Isopropyl Alcohol Makeup Sponge **Heat Tool Alcohol Inks** Bookbinding thread **Bookbinding Needle** Awl or pokey tool (optional)



## **Directions:**

Scoreboard plus Bone folder

- 1. Start by trimming Grafix Opaque White Craft Plastic Film into four 4" x 6" pieces.
- 2. Then, drip different colors of alcohol ink onto the Opaque White Craft Plastic panels and let dry completely. (Use heat tool if necessary).
- 3. Repeat step 2 to cover the other sides of the Opaque White Craft Plastic panels.
- 4. Place stencils over the alcohol inked Opaque White Craft Plastic and "lift" some of the ink through the stencil by dabbing a sponge with a small amount of alcohol solution on it. This will leave a "ghost print" of the stencil.
- 5. Once Opaque White Craft Plastic is completely dried, score at halfway point (3") on the sheet and firmly fold in half using a bone folder.
- 6. Mark and poke three evenly spaced holes into the spine of the journal with an awl or a bookbinding needle.
- 7. Use the bookbinding thread and needle to start sewing through the central hole of the spine.
- 8. Continue threading through the rest of the holes. Securely tie the loose ends of the string with a double knot and trim the excess.
- 9. For the cover, cut out and color a butterfly design from the Grafix Artist Series Shrink Film with permanent markers.
- 10. Use a heat tool to shrink film.



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- 11. Use a paper punch to create a circle with book text.
- 12. To finish, glue paper doily book text circle and Artist Series Shrink Film butterfly to the front of the journal.



Step 12

