

My Whimsical Garden

Spring is in the air and *My Whimsical Garden* is the perfect piece to paint to embrace the season. In this class, I will be teaching my process, techniques, and encouraging you to explore your creative potential. I think you will enjoy painting this piece and discovering the many possibilities for creating your own whimsical flowers.

Painter's Checklist

SURFACE

14" x 11" gallery-wrap canvas or smooth wood (for a Garden Sign)

PALETTE — DecoArt Americana Acrylics

Aqua Sky	Festive Green	Primary Blue
Baby Blue	Foliage Green	Purple Cow
Baby Pink	French Grey Blue	Tangerine
Bright Blue	Grey Sky	Turquoise Blue
Bright Green	Jack-O'-Lantern Orange	Warm White
Bright Orange	Lamp (Ebony) Black	Glamour Dust— <i>Ice Crystal</i>
Margarita	Lavender	
Olive Green		
Carousel Pink	Peacock Tea	
Dioxazine Purple	Peony Pink	

Neons—Scorching Yellow, Sizzling Pink, Knockout Blue, Ultraviolet, Torrid Orange, Thermal Green

BRUSHES

Angular—5/8, 1/2, 3/8, 1/4	Dome (Dry Brush)—2, 4, 6	Liner—10/0
Filbert—6	Flat—6, 8, 10, 14, 20	
Maxine's Mop—1/2, 3/8	Round—2,4,6, 10	
Scroller—10/0, 20/0	Wash—1"	

SUPPLIES

Basic Painting Supplies
Dotting Tools
Fixative Spray
Glossy Varnish
Graphite Paper—White & Charcoal
Pigma Micron Pen 01
Q-tips
Sanding Paper or Paper Bag
Stencils (Optional) - Wood Grain, Circles, Floral Swirls

LET'S PAINT

My motto is "Paint Yourself Happy!" In this class you will learn how to create a design, select your palette, and incorporate details into whimsical designs. Using my easy methods of creating whimsical

art, you can build the artistic confidence and creative curiosity to paint designs that are uniquely yours.

In this class, you will have the option of cloning my design elements or stepping out of your comfort zone and adding your own unique elements to your painting. I would encourage you to do the latter.

This pattern consists of the basic design elements and the paint palette. Part of the Whimsical painting process is to add the design elements as you go through the painting process. I outlined my design elements with the darkest shade color used to outline. However, you can also outline in black with a Micron Pen.

Stage 1. BACKGROUND

Using a 1" wash brush, paint the entire piece Baby Blue. Trace the fence onto the surface using a ruler. Paint the fence Warm White. Note: I taped off the fence lines.

Stage 2. BASECOAT

Trace the design elements. Undercoat the design elements on the Baby Blue sky with Warm White. Basecoat the design as follows:

Watering Can - Grey Sky.

Bird – Top of wing, head & tail Bright Blue, body Cadmium Yellow.

Bumble Bees - Body Cadmium Yellow, wings Warm White.

Butterfly - Wings Cadmium Yellow.

Snail - Body Cadmium Yellow, shell Turquoise Blue.

Flowers (Note: Refer to the photos for correct placement of colors. Working left to right, the flowers are numbered 1 – 7.)

#1 Flower – Bloom Cadmium Yellow, leaves and stems Bright Green.

#2 Flower – Outer petals Bright Blue, center bloom Carousel Pink, leaves and stems Foliage Green.

#3 Flower - Purple petals Lavender, orange petals Bright Orange, turquoise Petals Turquoise Blue, centers Cadmium Yellow, leaves and stems Foliage Green.

#4 Flower – No need to basecoat flower. This will be done in class. Leaves and Stems Turquoise Blue.

#5 Flower - Petals Lavender, center Carousel Pink, leaves and stems Turquoise Blue.

#6 Flower – Petals Carousel Pink, center Bright Blue, leaves and stems Bright Green.

#7 Flower - Bloom Bright Blue, spikes Lavender, leaves and stems Foliage Green.

Grass - Foliage Green.

STOP HERE – The rest will be completed in class

Stage 3. DETAILS

Watering Can

Basecoat Grey Sky. 1st Shade French Grey Blue. 2nd Shade Slate Grey. Highlight Grey Sky + Warm

White. Tint Lavender, Turquoise Blue, Olive Green. Outline Slate Grey.

Bird

Head Wing & Tail. Basecoat Bright Blue. Shade Primary Blue. Highlight Baby Blue. Outline Primary Blue.

Body. Basecoat Cadmium Yellow (undercoat warm white). 1st Shade Tangerine. 2nd Shade Bright Orange. Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Warm White. Outline Tangerine + Cadmium Yellow.

Eye. Iris Lamp Black Dot. Pupil Warm White Small Dot. Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Warm White.

Beak & Legs. Basecoat Tangerine. Shade Jack O' Lantern Orange. Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Tangerine. Outline Lamp Black or use Micron .01 Pen.

Bumble Bees

Body. Basecoat Cadmium Yellow. 1st Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Warm White. 2nd Highlight Glamour Dust Ice Crystal. Shade Tangerine. Stripes - Lamp. Outline Lamp Black or use Micron .01 Pen.

Head. Basecoat Lamp Black. Antennas Line Lamp Black or use Micron .01 Pen.

Butterfly

Wings. Basecoat Cadmium Yellow. Shade Tangerine. Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Warm White. Discal Cell Carousel Pink. Tint Sizzling Pink. Dots Turquoise Blue. Outline Peony Pink (outside) & Lamp Black (Inside).

Head & Body. Basecoat Lamp Black. Antenna Line Lamp Black or use Micron .01 Pen.

Snail

Body. Basecoat Cadmium Yellow. 1st Shade Tangerine. 2nd Shade Bright Orange. Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Warm White. Outline Bright Orange.

Eye. Iris Warm White Dot. Pupil Lamp Black Small Dot. Highlight Cadmium Yellow + Warm White.

Mouth. Peony Pink

Shell. Basecoat Turquoise Blue. Shade Peacock Teal. Highlight Aqua Sky. Outline Bright Blue.

Flowers (Note: Refer to the photos for correct placement of colors. Working left to right, the flowers are numbered 1 – 7.)

#1 Flower

Bloom. Basecoat Cadmium Yellow. 1st Shade Tangerine. 2nd Shade Bright Orange. Highlight Scorching Yellow. Spike Lines Lavender. Tint Olive Green. Outline Bright Orange. Dots (1) Bright Orange; (2) Torrid Orange.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Bright Green. Shade Festive Green. 1st Highlight Olive Green. 2nd Highlight (On tips) Margarita. Outline Festive Green.

#2 Flower

Outer Petals. Basecoat Bright Blue. Shade Primary Blue. Highlight Baby Blue (dry brush). Outline Primary Blue.

Center Bloom. Basecoat Carousel Pink. Shade Peony Pink. Highlight Baby Pink. Outline Peony Pink.

Other Design Elements. Center bloom between blue petals Bright Orange + Cadmium Yellow triangle; outline Warm White, add a dot of Tangerine, and pull toward the bottom. Center bloom stripe Lavender; Dots (1) Warm White; (2) Tangerine. Spike Lines Olive Green; Dots (1) Olive Green; (2) Bright Orange.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Foliage Green. Shade Bright Green. Highlight Olive Green. Outline Bright Green. Dots Bright Orange.

#3 Flower

Purple Petals. Basecoat Lavender. Shade Dioxide Purple. Highlight Purple Cow + Ultraviolet. Outline Dioxide Purple.

Orange Petals. Basecoat Bright Orange. Shade Jack O' Lantern Orange. Highlight Tangerine + Torrid Orange. Outline - Jack O' Lantern Orange.

Turquoise Petals. Basecoat Turquoise Blue. Shade Peacock Teal. Highlight Aqua Sky + Knockout Blue. Outline Peacock Teal.

Bloom Centers. Basecoat Cadmium Yellow. 1st Shade Tangerine. 2nd Shade Bright Orange. Highlight Scorching Yellow. Outline Dots Cadmium Yellow.

Other Design Elements. Center Circles. Purple Bloom Basecoat Bright Orange, Shade Jack O' Lantern Orange. Highlight Tangerine + Torrid Orange. Orange Bloom Basecoat Turquoise Blue, Shade Peacock Teal, Highlight Aqua Sky + Knockout Blue. Turquoise Bloom Basecoat Lavender, Shade Dioxide Purple, Highlight Purple Cow + Ultraviolet, Swirls Lamp Black or use Micron .01 Pen.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Foliage Green. Basecoat Bottom Bright Green. Shade Festive Green. 1st Highlight Olive Green. 2nd Highlight Thermal Green. Outline Festive Green.

#4 Flower

Basecoat (Spikes) Cadmium Yellow, Bright Green, Carousel Pink, Turquoise Blue. Dots (same as spikes) Cadmium Yellow, Bright Green, Carousel Pink, Turquoise Blue. Highlight Scorching Yellow, Thermal Green, Sizzling Pink.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Turquoise Blue. Shade Peacock Teal. 1st Highlight Aqua Sky. 2nd Highlight Knockout Blue. Outline Peacock Teal.

#5 Flower

Petals. Basecoat Lavender. Shade Dioxide Purple. 1st Highlight Purple Cow. 2nd Highlight Ultraviolet. Outline Dioxide Purple.

Center. Basecoat Carousel Pink. Shade Peony Pink. Highlight Baby Pink. Center Floral Design Cadmium Yellow. Large Dot Turquoise Blue. Small Dot Warm White. Outline Warm White.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Turquoise Blue. Shade Peacock Teal. Center Cadmium Yellow. Dots Turquoise Blue. Outline Peacock Teal.

#6 Flower

Petals. Basecoat Carousel Pink. Shade Peony Pink. 1st Highlight Baby Pink. 2nd Highlight Sizzling Pink. Inside Petals Peony Pink. Outline Peony Pink (outside petals), Warm White (Inside petals).

Center. Basecoat Bright Blue. Shade Primary Blue. Highlight Baby Blue. Outline Primary Blue. Dot Cadmium Yellow.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Bright Green. Shade Festive Green. 1st Highlight Olive Green. 2nd Highlight Thermal Green. Outline Festive Green.

#7 Flower

Bloom. Basecoat Bright Blue. Shade Primary Blue. Highlight Baby Blue (dry brush). Outline Primary Blue.

Spikes. Basecoat Lavender. Shade Dioxide Purple. 1st Highlight Purple Cow. 2nd Highlight Ultraviolet. Outline Dioxide Purple.

Leaves and Stems. Basecoat Foliage Green. Shade Festive Green. 1st Highlight Olive Green. 2nd Highlight Thermal Green. Outline Festive Green.

Grass

Basecoat Foliage Green. Shade Festive Green. Highlight Olive Green. Tint Cadmium Yellow, Margarita. Outline Festive Green.

Fence

Basecoat Warm White. 1st Shade Grey Sky. 2nd Shade Bright Blue. Tint Warm White, Margarita, Cadmium Yellow.

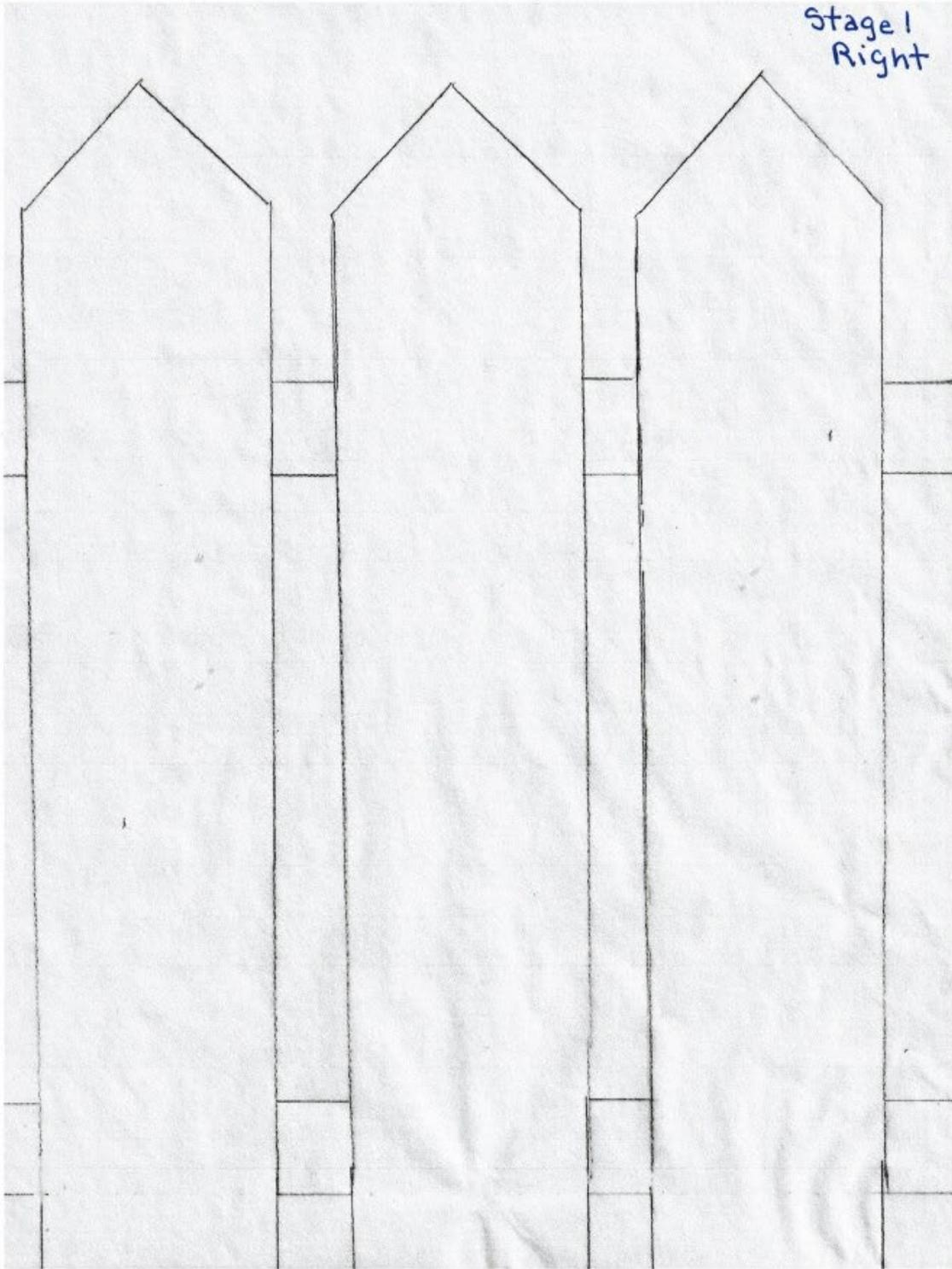
Background

Sky. Basecoat Baby Blue. 1st Shade Bright Blue. 2nd Shade Primary Blue. Highlight Aqua Sky.

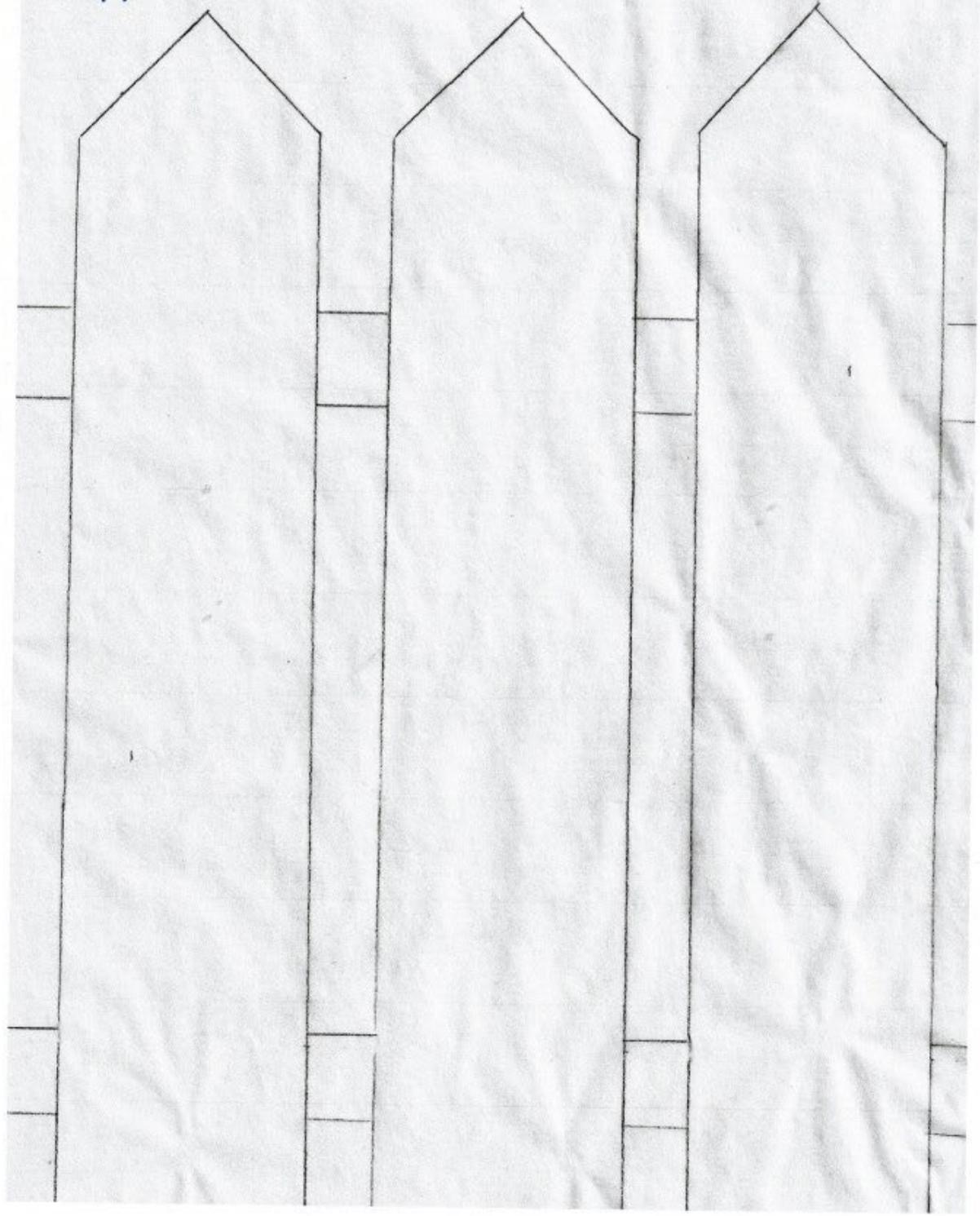
Lettering. Basecoat Bright Blue. Shade Primary Blue. Highlight Baby Blue (dry brush). Outline Primary Blue.

Heart. Basecoat Carousel Pink. Shade Peony Pink. Highlight Baby Pink. Outline Peony Pink. Comma Stroke Warm White.

PATTERN DRAWINGS - Stage 1.



Stage 1
Left



PATTERN DRAWINGS - Stage 2.

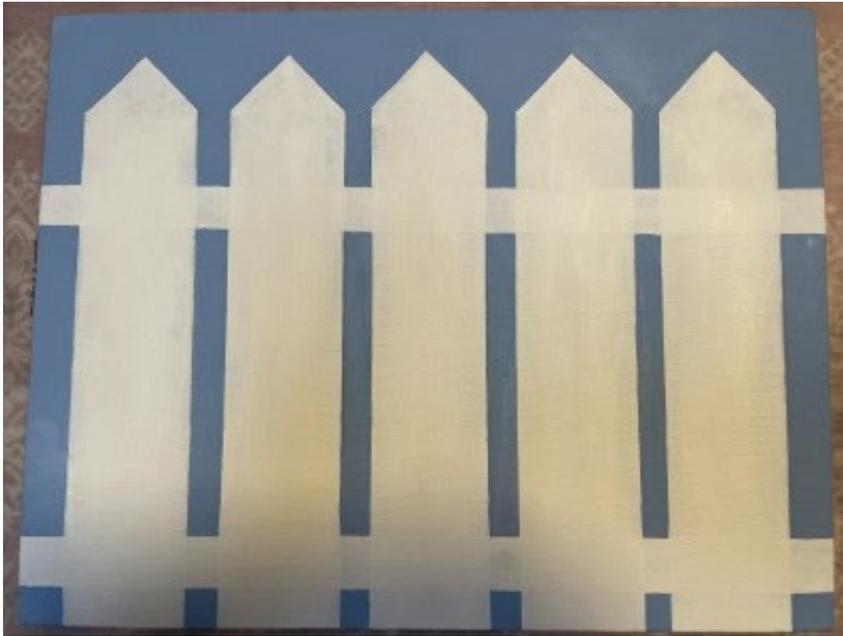


Stage 2
Left



PROJECT PHOTOS

Stage 1.



Stage 2.



Stage 3.



Stage 3
Right

Garden



Stage 3
Left

I ♥ my Gas



Fence Wood Grain or Use your own

Wood Grain

