

MIXED MEDIA MINGLE

making friends in the forest

I'm all about learning... Even as the instructor of this course, I am learning. I have an endless list of styles, techniques and mediums I want to try and I will be on a lifelong pursuit to complete that list. I feel like there is no better learning experience than a hands-on exercise. Art can be made up of so many rules and trying to memorize them all frustrated me, especially when I found out that some existed for no real reason at all... In this exercise I want you to throw caution to the wind! Layer your mediums, test what you have; play. If some of your treetops don't want to be friends with each other, that's fine, remember that for next time and find them a new friend.



completed sample from video tutorial



patterns added to finish piece

I hope you get a better feel for your mediums during this process. I have played with my supplies a million times and still managed to find an INCREDIBLE accident mixing the drying paint marker with my watercolors. If you would like to finish the piece pop some patterns over your treetops. This can be further experimentation with your mediums, but also gives the exercise a completed look... People will see a fabulously textured forest scene and never suspect this was a practice page.