



Camelot Court - 2010

Class Notes for Day One

Dame Dana Presents - Stain Glass Windows for Settings

Good to see everyone!

Are we all ready? Here we go with info ...

Comtesse Danu is now coming in the room so proper Hush is being displayed <G> Shhhhh

My fellow Cc members ... I have constructed the most delicate of accessories for your ladies bower. With a tiny drop of time it too can be yours for simply 10 minutes! My human Dana will be coming back to show you my skills but before I go ... I'd like to invite those of you who like challenges and all things magical to stay after class and begin your adventure into the Merlin Lair initiation

Comtesse Danu will always type in italics so you know When she is talking and then when her human Dana is talking - it will be regular type.

STAINED GLASS VERSION #1

Alrighty ladies I don't know about you but this whole theme has me positively BUSY with fun ideas!

Now ...our class today is on an easy stained glass window. And wait till you see how fantastic it looks!

I discovered by accident "Shrinky Dinks" that you put through your computer!

Search the internet find a gorgeous stained glass photo you like

Right click on photo then put your Shrinky Dink that goes through the computer printer and print the stain glass window on it!

Next take it out bake according to directions and Wow! it looks absolutely gorgeous tiny and realistic!

That is easy stained glass version #1. (I have 3)

Q Dana -- can you give us a picture of the package the material comes in ?

A I will put it up on the Merlin's Lair website for one of the *missives* later tonight. I bought it at Hobby Lobby

Q Name of Product

A Shrinky Dink Art Plastic

Q How do you size it?

A I just guessed ... it shrinks like 3x so Its just Shrinky Dink art plastic

Hobby Lobby had it on clearance but Michaels might have it too! I think it's 60 percent shrinkage

Q In what department ???

A In the scrapbooking department

Yes - thats the beauty of it!! most craft stores have it

COMMENT You can get a book of (stained glas designs) from Dover (online) that has stained glass and 11/12 size. Or try www.paper-paper.com

STAINED GLASS VERSION #2

This one is for you purists out there ... I took my plastic velum sheet (sheer) and outlined the stain glass picture I wanted to make with black sharpie marker (you can get this at the place they girls mentioned above - but Dover is my book of choice <G>)

Anyway ...Once your window is outlined ... take black sculpy and push it through a clay extruder extruder.

Now ... I actually had a very thin piece of glass that I put on top of the outline plastic because this way you can bake the Fimo/Sculpy on it:

1. Find a stained glass window design you like
2. Trace on sheer piece of plastic
3. Put thin piece of glass on top
4. Take black polyclay and soften then push into an extruder and make tiny little flat worms of black Fimo/Sculpy.
5. Carefully pick up the thin clay and place on glass around the outline. Bake.
6. Next take any of the liquid Sculpy product put in a little water dish set (so there are like 6 puddles)
7. Then drop in a few of the ink colors ... the acid inks found in scrapbooking sections and mix.
8. Now take a regular large drinking straw cut off part of the end (think like bird beak) so this forms a little scoop. Take some of each color drop it in the outlined glass pane and spread with toothpick.
9. When satisfied with look ... bake. Wala!

Now comes the fun part incorporating it into the scene if you are doing just a doll

Now to put that window into a quick scene. If you want just a backdrop for a doll photo:

1. Take Foam Core Board
2. Buy brick scrapbook paper (the grey castle type)
3. Cover whatever section you want for stage (usually do about 1 1/2 feet tall by 2 feet wide)
4. Then cut out the hole carefully that you want for the window.
5. Tape window Behind the hole cut and then with wood - cut molding and age appropriately of course or take fimo/clay and make a worn looking frame.
6. Remember if you do it correctly you can actually get a bit of depth with the window sill recessed into wall.

Now

Once your backdrop wall/window is done set your doll in front turn off all the lights in your room except for a spot light that you gently shine through the window and on her face. (Of course you will need some mirrors to bounce away shadows on her face). Beautiful photo !! That is the 10 minute class with a great photo op stage A beautiful idea for a backdrop/stained glass window -- cheap and for those that want quick and easy <G>

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MERLINS' LAIR

For those that want to take part in Merlin's Lair stay put !

Here is the Scoop:

Merlin's Lair is an exclusive members-only site who have to go through 3 trials to get into the place. I guarantee it will be worth it

One trial will be listed each week

Then on the following Sunday the next trial will be listed by the last week those that earn the right to be counted on as Merlin's Peers will get a very, very cool prize.

Each Sunday you get a task

On the last Sunday those that do all the tasks gets something cool

So everyone ready to receive their first initiation?

To start your journey you will need a very special amulet to protect you against the opposing wizards spells. (I need each of you to write me and tell me if you want to be a Good Wizard or a Bad Wizard) Anonymously -- I will pair you up.
(all emails go to Me I send to You)

So ...have got to confuse you girls more often its quiet <G>

You get 3 tasks But there is an opposite force that will be opposing you.
This week to get you started --- Its easy.

Your initiation -- first task - is to make an amulet to ward off evil. That's It !
It can be anything you wish and life size please.
mini or life size?

Q What is an amulet?

A Amulet Protection against evil Character spells

String some beads or make your own from Fimo/Sculpy

No Rules I simply want you to make a tiny human size necklace (string and bead is fine) that means something to you. A necklace to hang by your computer for protection A picture of it will be posted on your Character Page.

That is the first thing before I go into more details

Q When do you need it?

A Saturday midnight

Details will be on Merlin's Lair page Here are some things The Symbols of Moonlight must be incorporated on the back of the amulet or hanging down from necklace or written on a piece of paper and put in a box which is strung around your neck.

The Symbols of moonlight are listed on the Merlin's Lair page (and you all know where that is right?)

So recap:

- . Go to the Merlin's Lair page
- . See the symbols of Moonlight
- . Incorporate them into a protection amulet (easy or complex as you wish)
- . Send me the photos of front and back
- . I'll upload to your characters page

That is simply initiation #1 of the 3 trials.

Questions?

Q How do you know if you have a page?

A Anyone that is CC has a page. Characters are already up - Staff is coming soon.

Q What do you want in the subject line?

A Castle in subject line

Here are some blatant hints

- . click on the Merlin Link <http://www.damedana.com/camelot/castle%20diagram.html>
- . go there <G>=== click on his logo=== and the Magical Moonlit symbol will be there
- . You may have to Hit refresh <G>
- . Three trials await?

Q I can go to the page and I see letters in blue Mdl, etc- but can't enter anywhere

A That is the symbol you need on the back of your amulet (write or print or impress)

<http://www.damedana.com/camelot/castle/m%20lair/m%20lair.html>

Q I give up Dana- checked out of here- redid everything- still opens sets of letters

A - thats all there is <G> 3 sets of letters

Big hug everyone ...

