



# PAINTED LEATHER WRISTBANDS

by Carmen Flores Tanis, courtesy of Jacquard Products

The hardest part of these colorful and easy-to-make wristbands will be deciding which one to wear first.

But the solution to that dilemma is easy - just stack them up and wear several at once!

Each of these wristbands uses a different technique to showcase the unique properties of Lumiere 3D Dimensional Metallic Paints and Piñata Alcohol Inks. You'll find yourself saying "I never knew paint could do that!"



All of the Colors used in these projects are suggestions. Please choose colors according to your own taste and artistic mood.



## ARTIST:

**Carmen Flores Tanis** is a mixed media artist, crafter and designer. She specializes in combining humble materials in unusual and unexpected ways.

She is a Designer Member of the Craft and Hobby Association and has a successful online craft supply store (which gives her an excuse to buy lots of crafting goodies).

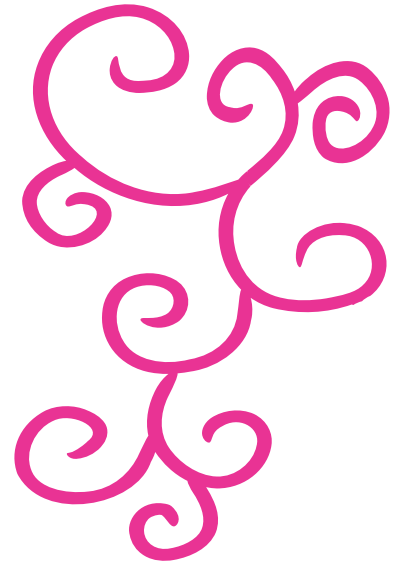
Carmen sells her work at craft shows and online and teaches classes regularly at local craft studios. She lives in Glendale, California with her beloved husband, Bruce, who patiently overlooks her art materials thrown all over the house.

You can see more of Carmen's work at her website: <http://florestanisstudio.com>

# WRISTBAND 1: PINK SWEETIE STAMPED



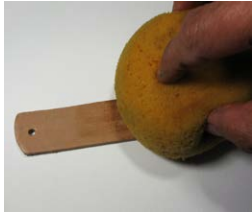
Final Piece



## MATERIALS

- Jacquard Lumiere 3D Dimensional Metallic Paints and Adhesive - Steel, Pink
- Jacquard Piñata Alcohol Inks - Señorita Magenta, Chili Pepper, Claro Extender
- 9mm plastic tip
- 1" leather wristband blank (available at leather supply shops)
- Metal leather alphabet stamps & hammer (available at leather supply shops)
- Snaps & setter (if your leather wristband blanks don't have them attached already)
- Acrylic sealer (I used Liquitex Gloss Varnish)
- Foam stamp
- Paintbrushes / water cup / paper towels
- Glass or ceramic plate to use as mixing palette

# DIRECTIONS



## LEATHER STAMPING

1. Use a sponge dipped in water (well wrung out) to wet the leather wristband. This hydrates the leather so that it will stamp more easily.
2. Using the leather alphabet stamps and hammer to stamp the word "SWEETIE" on the leather wristband.



## BASECOAT

3. Paint both sides of the wristband with Lumiere 3D Pink. Let Dry for a few minutes.
4. Mix one drop of Piñata Señorita Magenta with 6 drops of Piñata Claro Extender to thin out the color. Brush it onto the front and sides of the wristband.
5. Brush another coat of Lumiere 3D Pink on the wristband to tone down the bright magenta color.



## STAMPING

6. Put a few drops of Piñata Chili Pepper on a glass or ceramic dish. Rotate the plate so that the ink spreads out. Ink your rubber stamp by pressing it into the red ink, and stamp it onto the leather wristband. You'll get a nice faded effect as you continue to stamp without re-inking. The Piñata inks evaporate quickly, so add a little more ink to the plate as you work. Continue until you are happy with the look.



## DETAILING

7. With a 9mm tip on the spout of the Lumiere 3D Steel, draw hearts and dots on the leather wristband. Brush some Lumiere 3D Steel on the stamped letters to make them stand out more.
8. Using a detail brush, fill in the hearts with Piñata Señorita Magenta. Let dry one hour.
9. Seal the wristband, front and back, with a coat of the acrylic sealer.
10. Add a snap closure if necessary.



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