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Stamped Metal Jewelry: Creative Techniques And Designs For Making Custom Jewelry



Synopsis

Metal stamping is one of the hottest trends in metal jewelry. Using purchased metal stamps and sterling silver blanks, you can personalize your metal jewelry designs with words, textures, and creative designs. Lisa Niven Kelly, creator of the online Beaducation workshops and website, specializes in the technique and has been teaching stamping for more than six years to enthusiastic students. Although stamping is a simple technique, the right tools and skills will help you create professional and exciting results. *Stamped Metal Jewelry* teaches multiple metal stamping and texturing techniques, and the projects incorporate wirework and metalsmithing to create fabulous necklaces, beads, charms, bracelets, cuffs, and earrings. The book opens with an extensive section on stamping, wirework, and metalsmithing tools and techniques. With these skills, you can begin the inspiring jewelry designs with confidence. Nineteen projects cover a variety of techniques and designs such as creating charms, incorporating stamped links into beaded projects, making stamped links from flat wire and wire-wrapping them together, stamping on blanks and layering them, riveting, texturing metal, oxidizing, and more. In addition to Lisa's projects, the book features contributions by nationally known guest artists Tracy Stanley, Kriss Silva, Lisa Claxton, Kate Richbourg, Janice Berkebile, and Connie Fox.

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"A few jewelry findings, some flat metal pieces, a hammer, and a collection of metal alphabet stamps are the basic requirements for these projects...Kelly, founder of Beaducation.com, demonstrates her teaching skills on the enclosed DVD. Teenagers, in particular, will find this a good

introduction to metal crafting." - Library Journal "I have been trying to learn how to stamp metal for a while now and had not been getting the results I wanted...After reading Lisa's book, not only am I inspired to create more, but I learned some really (really!) helpful tips that have helped me get the results I wanted. The book is perfect for beginners and gives a very good introduction to products and techniques." - Craft Critique "Stamped metal jewelry is all the rage right now, and it's not as complicated as you might think - this book gives you a great primer." - Canadian Living "Stamped Metal Jewelry is a great book. You'll learn everything you want to know about stamping. No doubt you'll also learn some useful metalsmithing techniques." - Ronna Sarvas Weltman, author, Ancient Modern: Polymer Clay and Wire Jewelry

Lisa Niven Kelly is an award-winning wire jewelry artist and a regular contributor to Bead & Button, Art Jewelry, Beadwork, and Step-by-Step Wire Jewelry magazines. She has been teaching beadwork and wirework nationally for more than 15 years. Lisa is also the founder of Beaducation.com, a groundbreaking source for online step-by-step video jewelry-making classes and a source for wirework and metal stamping tools and supplies.

I absolutely love this book! It thoroughly explains each project in easy to understand terms. I like how they tell you exactly what gauge wire you need including the riveting wire. Unfortunately not all books are like this one. I have run into several that had great projects and they would say sterling wire but they wouldn't say what gauge you needed to make the project or even worse they would show you beautiful projects and they will say for instance use round or square lamp work beads but they wouldn't tell you where they got them at. Not in this book. This book tells you every step of the way what gauge wire you need and the tools needed and at the back of the book it tells you a list of suppliers. One of my favorite aspects of the DVD is that it has a bonus project on it that isn't in the book. Lisa Niven Kelly spoke very clearly and the DVD was done perfect. It showed her hands as she was doing the work. What was nice was that when she made a mistake she would tell you what to do so that you won't make the same mistake she did. She even shows you how to rivet on the DVD. I have always wanted to learn to rivet. I thought it was all about metal stamping but when I saw that she was going to show you how to rivet, I was even more excited. I guarantee if you buy this book you are going to love it. I can't think of a single item that was left out of the book or the DVD. It is absolutely wonderful. I will definitely keep this one in my library of books. This is one I definitely don't want to part with.

This part of jewelry making is totally new to me and I found it to be more than I expected. I wish I had it about 5 years ago when I was still running the shop, but now I am so glad I kept the business name and do just enough to add this type of work to my line. I have already made a few pieces and looking to make some more. I think the book was put together in a very instrumental way. I felt like it was very easy to understand from the very beginning to the very end. I had a feeling that I was in the middle of a class learning or a workshop. The photography was a huge help too. People should take a look at your book for how to demonstrate something.....Everyone who is going to write a book on how to do something needs to use a lot of good photographs with great explanations for what is going on in the photos. Thank you for making this book available to all levels of those interested in making jewelry out of stamped metal. Thanks for the push. I really do not think I could have done it without your book guiding the way. Thanks for making your book available to us. With Thanks, Me

I'm a beginner at making stamped jewelry, and this book (which comes with a DVD) seems to be a good place to start. The text is easy to understand without sounding condescending, and the photographs are clear and very helpful. I find book of this sort to be most helpful when the photos are presented to really illustrate the text, and this book is constructed like that.

I enjoyed the introductory steps and procedure reviews for metal stamping. I also found the more advanced inspirational projects using riveting and cutting very helpful. Looking forward to expanding my metal jewelry making designs.

This is a good start on stamping metal. It comes with a DVD but I don't remember if I've used it. She used to have a lot of freebies on her website, I haven't been on it in awhile, but I would look there before I bought the book. I like to have books when I'm working because I don't always want to sit down at the computer and look up stuff. Honestly, I get pulled in when I do and spend way too much time online. There are a good bit of cute designs in this book.

This book was very easy to read and understand. I would recommend this to anyone wanting to learn HOW to stamp metal jewelry. I want to add however, that this book does not have a ton of project ideas/examples. I have been beading for 4 years and many of the books I get, they are at least half ideas/patterns for projects, etc. This more breaks down the tools, techniques, and metals, and only gives you a few ideas of things to make. The Author has the website [...] which is

supplemental to the book and is a good resource for ideas and help. You can even find beaducation on facebook and ask them questions and they answer you typically within a few days!

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