

# Southern Blackberry Designs

## Embrace the Journey - Lucite Pendant

*Transferring Images to Lucite with Tranx Maxx  
As seen in Belle Armoire Jewelry Magazine*

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### Supplies:

Lucite Shapes by Krystal Kraft, can be found at stamp stores and on-line

Decoupage Tissue Paper by Blackberry Designs

Tranx Maxx Transfer Medium by Blackberry Designs

[www.blackberrydesigns.com](http://www.blackberrydesigns.com)

Soft brush

Makeup Sponge

Acrylic Paint – Metallic or Pearl, we used gold

Water based gloss varnish

Jewelry Findings and other embellishments

### Step 1



Your Krystal Kraft Lucite will come with paper on one side; the other side will be frosted. We will be working on the frosted side. Do not remove the paper until the project is complete, this will keep your clear side free of stains and glues. Clean your frosted side with either alcohol or the Krystal Kraft cleaner you can purchase on-line.

### Step 2

With a soft brush apply a generous coat of Tranx Maxx – Transfer Medium to the front of the image. Let dry, about ½ hour.

### Step 3

Cut image from Decoupage Tissue Paper in a large enough area to cover your shape. Apply another coat of Tranx Maxx to front of image, and one coat to the frosted side of the Lucite Pendant. Lay your tissue paper face down on the Lucite. Burnish with a straight edge, I like an old credit card for this. Wipe up any excess Glue. Let Dry, about 1 hour.





#### **Step 4**

Apply water to paper side of image, let sit for about 15 minutes. You can either peel the paper off, or roll off with your fingers, if it does not come off easily, apply a little more water for a few minutes. Trim any excess paper from edges of Lucite shape. Wipe off any excess water. Let image dry completely, it will be milky when wet, but will dry crystal clear.

#### **Step 5**

Using metallic or pearl acrylic paint and a makeup sponge, sponge about three layers of paint on to frosted side, where your image is transferred. Let dry between applications. Once dry, add one coat of Tranx Maxx to seal. Let dry. Apply one coat of gloss water based varnish to help protect your image. Peel off paper from front of Lucite shape.



#### **Step 6 – Finishing:**

You can use a hand drill or dremel to drill a small hole at the top of your finished piece and string a satin cord on a jump ring. We drilled through our pieces and did some wire wrapping with 22 gauge gold wire, adding crystals for glitz.

#### **Tips & Tricks**

Put your varnish on with a soft brush to avoid brush strokes and air bubbles. You can mix your Tranx Maxx with a little mica powders by Jacquard, and sponge this on to the Lucite; this will have a more metallic look. You can add glitter on top of your images before adding your metallic paint.