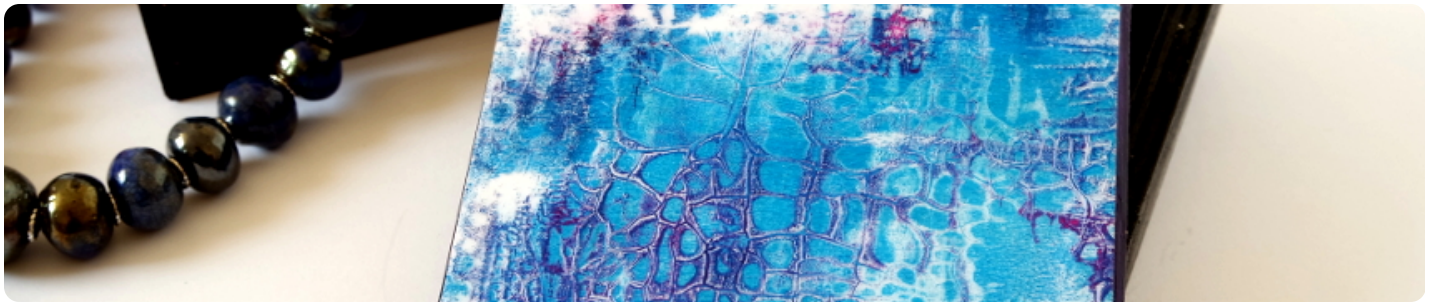
CLASSROOM LESSON PLAN

GRADES 9 TO 12

ENAMELED FAUX CRACKLE BOXES

with Giovanna Zara



STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO

- demonstrate the ability to create a faux crackle texture
- design their own boxes

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

- How can students create a faux crackle texture?
- What is faux?

MATERIALS

- [ ] GelliArts® 9x12" gelli plate gelliarts.com
- [ ] GelliArts® brayer gelliarts.com
- [ ] DecoArt Media crackle paste
- [ ] DecoArt TopCoat
- [ ] Corrugated cardstock

NOTES FOR THIS CLASS

STEP BY STEP

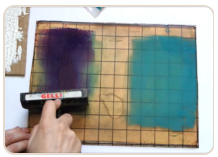
1 Spread the crackle paste on a piece of corrugated cardstock and set aside to dry. Tip: An alternative to the crackle paste could be embossing paste through crackle stencils, an embossing folder or a crackled texture plate.



2 Brush a layer of gel medium or PVA glue to avoid peeling off and set aside to dry.



3 Spread two contrasting colors of acrylic paint blobs on the Gelli Arts® 9×12" gel plate: spread the paint very, very well. You must see through the paint to the plate, otherwise this technique doesn't work.



4 Press the crackle handmade texture plate on the left side, lift it, and press it on the right side several times until you are happy with the result.



5 Lay a piece of cardstock on the right side, press, smooth it and lift the cardstock.



6 You can try different colors combinations such as gold and black, white and red, blue and light green.



7 Paint the wooden box with acrylic paint.



8 Cut the cardstock to size and adhere to the lid with tacky glue. Wait until it is perfectly dry.



9 Next, add a glossy finish such as DecoArt TopCoat.





