

ImpressArt®

"What's Your Superpower?" – Personalized Badge ID Tag

Skill Level: Intermediate

Tools & Supplies

- Ergo-Angle™ Metal Stamping Hammer
- Steel Block
- Stamp Tape™
- Stamp Guides™
- G.S. Hypo Jewelry Adhesive
- Stamp Enamel Marker, Black
- High Polish Finishing Block
- Matte Finish Buffing Block
- Stargazer™, Uppercase, 2mm
- Stethoscope Heart Ultra Detail Design Stamp, 12mm
- Circle Stamping Blank, 7/8", Alkemé
- Badge ID Tag
- Polishing Cloth, Paper Towel, or Clean Rag



STEP 1

Place circle stamping blank on stamping block. Adhere a small circle stamp guide in the center of the blank. Use the guidelines to evenly space out letters and align stamp impressions on a curve.

TIP: Use stamp tape to secure the blank to the stamping block so it doesn't move while stamping.

TIP: Write desired message directly onto the stamp guide and utilize the guideline marks for spacing.

STEP 2

Place stamp on blank, in line with the corresponding mark on the stamp guide. Lightly drag stamp towards the guide until the stamp catches the edge of the guide. Hold stamp flat and firmly in place before striking with medium force using Metal Stamping Hammer. Repeat to complete the desired word, turning the stamping block while working to ensure that the stamp is facing the correct direction. Remove stamp guide.

TIP: If the stamp has an ImpressArt logo, make sure it is facing you so that the impression is stamped in the correct direction.

TIP: Slightly tilt the stamp towards the guide while dragging the stamp. Make sure you hold the stamp flat and firmly in place before striking the stamp.

STEP 3

Position Ultra Detail Design Stamp in the center on the blank. Use the Tilt & Tap technique to stamp 6mm and larger stamps, or stamps with more details. While applying pressure to the stamp, strike once with medium force. Then without lifting stamp, continue to strike while very slightly tilting the stamp in a circular motion to catch all sides of the design.

NOTE: Harder metals and stamps with more detail require a harder strike than softer metals and stamps with less detail.

STEP 4

Highlight impressions with Stamp Enamel. Wait 3-5 minutes and then wipe away the excess enamel from the surface of the blank.

STEP 5

Use the fine and super fine grit on the High Polish Finishing Block to clean and buff metal to a high shine. Or use the medium grit on the Matte Finish Buffing Block to create a brushed matte surface.

NOTE: High Polish Finish Blocks & Matte Finish Buffing blocks can be used on all ImpressArt blanks excluding ImpressArt Artisan collection plated blank.

STEP 6

Secure stamped blank to badge id tag with jewelry adhesive, and allow to dry.