

# Birthday Blooms – The Spotlight Technique

Level: Beginner - Intermediate



**TIME: 15 - 20 Minutes**

**STAMPS:**

Birthday Blooms  
#140655 – wood  
#140658 – clear

**INKS:**

StazOn Black #101406  
Flirty Flamingo #141397  
Peekaboo Peach #141398  
Marker:  
Crushed Curry, Regals Set #131262

**ACCESSORIES:**

Aqua Painter #103954  
Paper towel (non S.U. item)  
Snail Adhesive #104332  
Fast Fuse #129026 or  
Tear and Tape #138995  
Stampin Scrub #126200 and Stampin Mist

#102394

**CARD STOCK AND DESIGNER PAPER:**

Flirty Flamingo #141416	4-1/4 x 11, score and fold at 5-1/2 – card base
Watercolor paper #122959	4 x 5-1/4 – card front
	2-5/8 x 3-7/8 – art piece
Basic Black #121045	2-3/4 x 4 – mat behind art piece

**DIRECTIONS: The Spotlight Technique – where you “spotlight” a portion of the image.**

- 1 – Cut the watercolor paper to size and then use a small amount of Snail Adhesive to attach the art piece to the center of the card front or background piece.
  - 2 – Stamp the image so that it covers both pieces of watercolor paper.
  - 3 – Gently pull the two pieces apart; the background piece (the larger piece) will remain in black and white, the art piece will be our “spotlight”.
  - 4 – Use the Aqua Painter and the inkpad lids to color the image. I give details on how to do this in the video.
  - 5 – Add your sentiment of choice.
  - 6 – Use the Fast Fuse Adhesive to attach the art piece to the Basic Black mat, then that piece to the background or card front, and then to the card base.
- TIP** – you may want to consider Fast Fuse Adhesive or Tear and Tape to put these pieces together. They are stronger than Snail Adhesive and I find do a better job of holding the thick, sometimes warped watercolor paper on the cards.
- 7 – Clean stamps with the Stampin Scrub and Mist.