

Take & Make: Patriotic Wall Decor

Materials Included:

- 8"x8" Canvas
- 20mm Wide Tape Strips (attached to wax paper)
- Red Acrylic Paint
- "Let Freedom Ring" Vinyl Design
- 1" Foam Brush
- 8"x8" Gridded Transfer Tape

Materials Not Included:

- Ruler
- Pencil

Directions:

- 1.** Remove plastic covering from canvas.
- 2.** Use a ruler and pencil to measure approximately 18mm (.7 in) from the top and bottom of the canvas and attach a tape strip. Smooth the tape down on the canvas and wrap around the outside edges.
- 3.** Place the remaining 3 pieces of tape evenly spaced throughout the remaining blank middle space of the canvas and wrap around the edges of the canvas. There is no need to measure the spacing between these pieces, just make sure the tape strips look straight and evenly spaced. Smooth down the tape strips on the front and then flip the canvas over to smooth from the back. Be sure all the tape strips are firmly applied so paint will not seep underneath in the next steps.



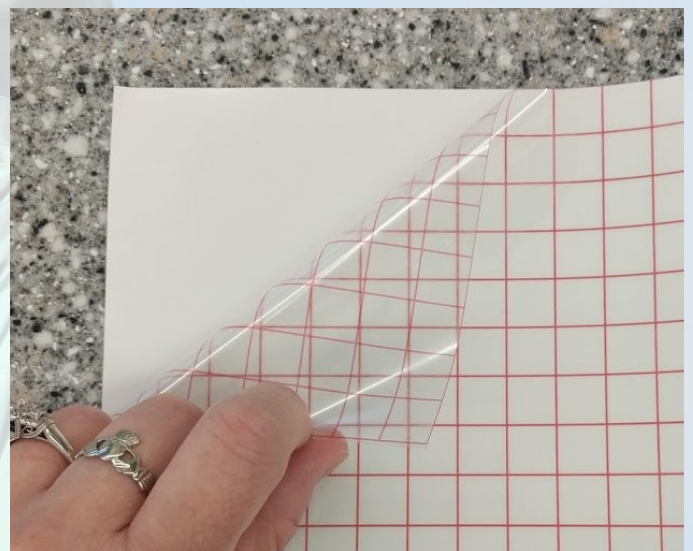
4. Apply 1 coat of red paint to the visible areas of white canvas. (It is ok to get paint on the tape. The tape strips will be peeled off at the end to reveal white stripes on the canvas). Allow 5-10 minutes for the first coat of paint to dry. DO NOT use a heating element such as a blow-dryer or heat gun to speed up the drying process or the project will not turn out correctly.



5. Apply a second coat of red paint to the same areas allowing 5-10 minutes to dry afterwards.

6. Apply a third coat of paint to the same areas. Slowly and carefully peel away the tape strips immediately after applying the third coat of paint. Wait until project is completely dry before proceeding to the next step.

7. To apply the "Let Freedom Ring" design, begin by removing the white backing from the piece of gridded transfer tape.

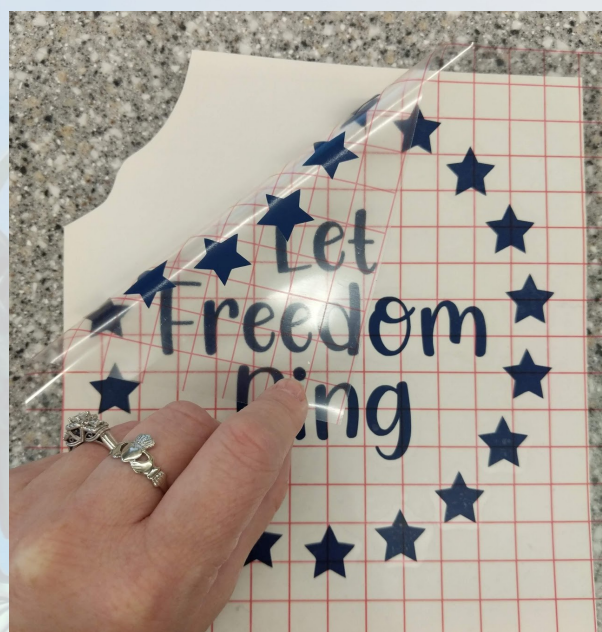


8. Place the transfer tape (sticky side down) directly on the vinyl design. Use the grid on the transfer tape to help align when placing.

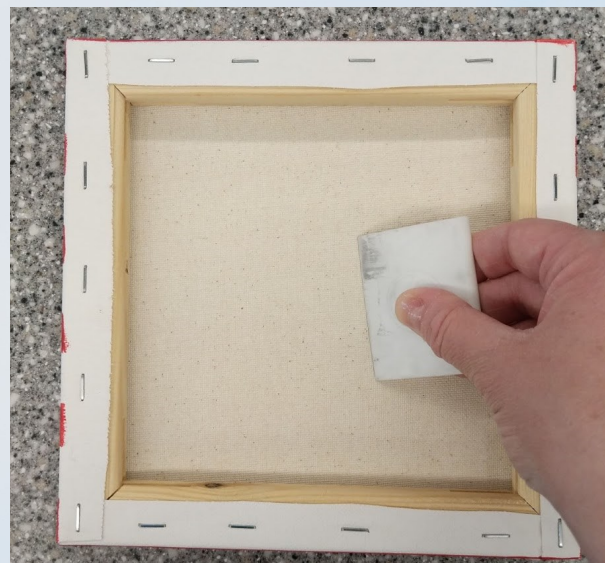
9. Use a hard flat object to smooth the transfer tape down on the design. Work from the middle outwards and apply firm pressure.

10. Carefully peel away transfer tape from design at an angle to release the design from its white backing. The design should be sticking to the transfer tape and this will allow the design to be placed on the canvas. If the design is not sticking, continue to smooth and peel away until the entire design is released and adhered to the transfer tape.

11. Line up the transfer tape with the attached design centered on the front of the canvas.



12. Gently smooth down and flip the canvas over. Working from the back as to not stretch the canvas, use a hard flat object to smooth down the design.



13. Flip canvas back over and slowly peel away transfer tape. The design should now be attached to the canvas. Smooth down one last time from the back to be sure the design is firmly attached.

