Make a Geode Painting with Kyra Balentine of Plaid Crafts

Chapter 1 - Make a Geode Painting

Overview

(pleasant electronic music) - Hey, guys, it's Kira. I'm a content creator here at Plaid, and we are partnering with Creative Bug, and in this video, we're going to show you how to create these awesome Mod Podge and FolkArt geodes. (pleasant electronic music)

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- Supplies you'll need to create a DIY geode. FolkArt Acrylic paint, Titanium White, Sky Mist, Aqua, True Blue, and Glitterific. We have gold and silver Parchment paper. Mod Podge Ultra in gloss, craft sticks, plastic spoons, flat push pins, a canvas, a tray or silicone mat, loose glitter of choice, rock salt, plastic cups, and paper towel or baby wipes to clean. So in this video, we're gonna be creating DIY geodes. You can do creative swirls or create an actual geode looking pour. So we're gonna get started by doing that and then we're gonna create rock salt. We're actually gonna create our very own geodes with Mod Podge Gloss. So this is a really fun thing to do. Again, there's so many different crafts and projects you can do with this Mod Podge rock salt that we're gonna make. So I'm gonna walk you through the pour and then we're gonna get started on making our rock salt. All right, so here's some great examples. I'm gonna get started. I'm gonna move these outta the way and we're going to get to mixing our FolkArt Acrylic Paint and our Mod Podge Ultra together. Now I've cleared my workspace, we're gonna get started by mixing our FolkArt Acrylic Paint and our Mod Podge Ultra together. You're gonna need a plastic cup and you're gonna need one plastic cup per color of paint that you're using. So I have four different colors of paints that we're gonna be using, so I'll need four plastic cups. And I'm going to be using FolkArt Acrylic Paint. So this is a great acrylic paint that's creamy and smooth, and it's great for so many different surfaces and projects. You can use it on canvas and wood and terracotta and it's gonna be great to pour with. Again, it comes in hundreds of beautiful colors and picking your palette is really fun and this is how you can really personalize your project. So whatever space you have that you're gonna put this project in, you can use your bedding, your curtains, your clothing, anything to be inspired by to create and pick your palette. I love working with cool colors and warm colors and even combining them with a bright pop of color. So I'm gonna be using cool colors today. I've got white, like a really true blue, a pastel blue, and then this awesome teal color. So I'm also gonna be using Mod Podge Ultra. Mod Podge Ultra is a all-in-one glue and sealer, but the great part about this is that it can be used as a pouring medium. Pouring medium is really important when creating these paint pours, because you don't want all your paint to mix together and get muddy. By using Mod Podge Ultra or a pouring medium, it keeps your paint separate and allows it to swirl and move across your canvas. So I'm gonna be using the gloss because I want these geodes to be really shiny when they're done. Mod Podge Ultra comes in two different formula finishes.. There's a matte, which is duller, and a gloss, but for this, we're gonna be using the gloss. So to get started again, we've got our four plastic cups. I'm gonna line these up so you can see them. And we're gonna take our FolkArt Acrylic Paint and we're going to put paint in each cup. And it's a two-to-one ratio, which means two part FolkArt Acrylic Paint and one part Mod Podge Ultra. So I'm gonna start with the True Blue and I'm gonna squirt it right into my cup. This is my Sky Mist, which is a light blue. Aqua. And white. So now I have my paint next I'm gonna take my Mod Podge Ultra Gloss Now Mod Podge Ultra is a spray, but, for

this, we're gonna take the lid off and we're actually gonna pour into the cup. So two part paint, one part Mod Podge. So you saw how thick and creamy the FolkArt paint was. By adding the Mod Podge Ultra, it dilutes it. You wanna have the consistency of syrup. So I'm gonna show you guys what that looks like. And don't worry, Mod Podge Ultra comes out of the bottle like a milky cream color, but it's gonna dry clear. So it's not gonna change the color of your paint, so don't worry about that when you pour it out. So that's the consistency that you want when you're pouring. All right, so I'm gonna go ahead and mix these and you wanna make sure they're mixed really well. That you're combining the Mod Podge Ultra and the FolkArt Acrylic Paint together. So once I have my FolkArt Acrylic Paint and my Mod Podge Ultra mixed, I'm gonna set my paint aside And I'm gonna grab my baking pan and my canvas. So you can use a silicone mat, palette paper, or these disposable baking pans, which I love to pour on, because then you can move your canvas around when it's done and let it dry. It's also great, because it contains all your paint that drips off your canvas that you can save and reuse later for a paint skin. So I am gonna pour right onto my canvas, you can see here the example and we're going to pour in an arch. So we're gonna start at the corner and pour in a arch so it looks just like a geode cracked open. Okay, so this is our example and I am going to move the paints so you can see what I'm doing here when I pour. Okay, so another tip that we have is these pushpins that we told you about in the supplies is you wanna use these flat-back push pins and push them into the back of your canvas. That's gonna keep your canvas elevated, so when you're pouring, the paint drips over the side, coats your sides, it's easy to pick up and swirl and move around for your pouring. Once you've mixed your FolkArt Acrylic Paint with your Mod Podge Ultra, two-to-one ratio, we're gonna set that aside. And I am going to take my larger cup and we are going to do a dirty pour. We are going to layer in our paint into this cup before we pour onto our canvas. So all you need to do is layer your paint into your cup. And because we used the Mod Podge Ultra as our pouring medium, you don't need to worry about it all mixing together in the cup. So we have all our paint layered into our cup. You can see that it's all layered. Now we're ready to pour. So this is a dirty pour, but we're gonna do it a little bit different than a traditional dirty pour where you turn your cup upside down and let all your paint go onto the canvas at once. We're actually going to pour from this cup with all your paints layered in it. So we're gonna start and we're gonna start at one corner. I'm gonna create arches across your whole canvas. All right, so I'm gonna start. So what I'm gonna do is I'm gonna start and let your paint start to move across your canvas. And I wanna keep adding to my canvas. So you can see we're getting that beautiful geode pattern. And then what you can do is you can even take some additional paint and add. So I'm gonna add some white to my corner here. (spoon tapping) And I'm gonna add some of my leftover blue. I just wanna really get that canvas covered well. I've got my aqua. I'm just gonna use up all that paint. And, again, we're just gonna keep moving this 'til we get the look that we want and there's no right or wrong when you're pouring, right? Every pour is gonna look completely different. So there's our geode pour. So I'm gonna set this aside and now we're gonna create our Mod Podge rock salt. Now I'm gonna show you how to create our Mod Podge rock salt geodes. So we are going to be using rock salt, and this is just like ice cream salt that you could buy at your grocery store. You're going to need Mod Podge Gloss. You're also gonna need glitter. So pick your color of glitter that you wanna match your pouring and ultra-fine glitter works the best with this. So we're gonna be using a fine glitter. You're also gonna need plastic cups, plastic spoons, and parchment paper. So I'm gonna go ahead and place my parchment paper down, because that's what my rock salt is gonna sit on to dry. And you can see on these pours, we've created these three-dimensional geodes. So they actually look like crystals, but it's made from rock salt and Mod Podge and glitter. And it's really fun. You can

use it for lots of different projects. You can create jewelry with it. You can create wall hangings. You can create, you can add it to 3D objects. But, again, we're gonna use it to create these awesome geodes on our pours that we've already done. These are some examples of big pieces that we've done. I'm gonna show you when I walk you through this that you lay it out on your parchment paper 'til it dries in a big sheet and then you can just take it and break it apart, and this is all dry. And because you're using Mod Podge, it seals the glitter in so there's not gonna be loose glitter and it's not gonna make a mess. So here's some rock salt that we've already created and you can put this rock salt on your pour when it's wet, or you can add it to a painting or you can add it to a pour or a project that you already have done by using Mod Podge as a glue. So, again, here's just a variety of beautiful different rock salt geodes that we created. All different colors, and it just depends on what glitter you use and that's how you get the beautiful color and shine. So I'm gonna get started and show you how to make this. Again, you wanna have your parchment paper laid out and ready. And I'm gonna set this aside. And what you're going to do is you're gonna take a cup. You're gonna use Mod Podge Gloss. So you definitely wanna use the Mod Podge gloss as your formula for this. And you're going to do one scoop of Mod Podge Gloss. So one scoop full, just a typical plastic spoon. And put it in your cup. And then you're gonna mix your glitter into your Mod Podge. So I'm gonna go ahead and I'm gonna do my silver glitter and my blue glitter to add to my geode that we poured. But, again, you could do any color glitter you want. So I'm gonna pop this off and I'm gonna do one spoonful of glitter. And I'm just gonna go ahead and use the same spoon that I used to put my Mod Podge in. And one spoonful. It could be heaping. That's fine. And then you're gonna mix the Mod Podge Gloss and the glitter together. So you wanna make sure your glitter is all mixed. Now that doesn't look very shiny, but don't worry, 'cause Mod Podge is gonna dry clear and glossy and it's gonna be really sparkly and shiny, just like this. Okay, so once that's mixed, then you're gonna take a separate spoon and you're gonna take rock salt that you can get at your grocery store. And we're gonna do five spoonfuls of rock salt into our cup that we've already mixed the Mod Podge Gloss and the glitter into. So five spoonfuls. (salt rustling) Okay, so I'm gonna set that aside and we can save this rock salt to use later. That's okay if it makes a mess. And we're now going to mix and make sure we coat the rock salt. So that's really, really important that you get a good coating of the Mod Podge Gloss and the glitter on your rock salt. So you wanna make sure that it's mixed really, really well. So then you could scoop this out and lay it, right, your parchment paper and it's gonna dry. So, again, you can do small piles or large piles and break it apart. And you wanna let this dry overnight, so for about 24 hours, let this dry. And then this is what you're gonna get. You're gonna get these beautiful sheets of geodes and be able to craft with them. So you can let this dry on parchment paper and make your project after, or you can add it directly to your pour while it's wet. So I'm gonna take this geode that we poured and I'm gonna actually scoop this right on to my canvas. So you can kind of follow the pattern that you poured in. And because this is made with Mod Podge, it's gonna act as a glue and sealer all in one. So you don't need to add more glue if you're using the rock salt wet. So you can just put it right onto your canvas and let the whole thing dry. So you can let that dry and it's gonna be beautiful, shiny, and sparkly when you're done. So on this one, we did silver, and you can absolutely go back and add multiple colors. So we can mix up a batch of the blue real quick. So again, it's one spoonful of Mod Podge Gloss, one spoonful of glitter. And, again, fine glitter works the best. You can never have too much glitter. You wanna mix your glitter and Mod Podge. And then add five spoonfuls of rock salt or ice cream salt. (salt rustling) And then go ahead and mix that and just make sure, again, that your rock salt is completely coated with your glitter and your Mod Podge. (salt rustling) And it's gonna dry really shiny. Okay, so, again, I could spoon this

out and let it dry on my parchment paper to use later, or add to my pour later, or you can put it directly onto your canvas while it's wet. So I'm gonna go ahead and add this to my geode. And I'm gonna layer in some blue right next to my silver. I'm also gonna just keep, and again, a geode, it's gonna look like this crystal opened up. So I'm gonna follow the arch in my pour. And then you're just gonna let that dry overnight and you're gonna end up with this beautiful geode canvas. So another fun thing that you can do to your pours is you can add your dried Mod Podge rock salt crystals to your canvas, and you can also add some Glitterific. So I love this combo together. You can see here on our examples that we took a pour that we already had, we added our Glitterific, and then we added rock salt. So I'm gonna go ahead and do that to this canvas. And this is in one of our other videos that we did with Creativebug. We taught you how to do a clean pour and a dirty pour. So this is a great way to take this project and add like some extra bling and fun to it and really personalize it. So I'm gonna take my Glitterific and I'm just gonna actually use a craft stick to spread this around because it's so thick. So you can see, Glitterific is the most glittery paint out there. And I'm just gonna smooth it right on the edge of my canvas. And, again, you could use a brush or a pallet knife. These craft sticks work great when working with Glitterific. You can see how thick that is. And it's actually multiple pieces, multiple sizes of glitter suspended in this paint, in this clear base so all you see is glitter, which is amazing. And I'm kinda just gonna follow the edge. I'm just gonna, like it's dipped in glitter and sparkle, this geode. So it broke open and just the tip of it is very glittery. So again, I'm just gonna do this right on the edge and smooth that out so you can see. And you could do, you know, it's very free flowing. That's not the right word. Okay, so you just wanna add your Glitterific. It's a very like organic shape. And I love to add it to one corner and then just kind of add a little bit to the other corner. So it's kinda just like peeking off your canvas. And you can never have enough glitter. All right, so what you do, we've added our Glitterific, and then we can take the rock salt that we've already gone ahead and made, and this is dried, again. We poured out big piles of it. We let it dry overnight, and all you need to do is break it off into smaller pieces and you can kinda shape it to how it needs to go around your canvas. And then, because our canvas is already dry, and our rock salt is dry, I'm just gonna grab a brush and I'm gonna use our Mod Podge Gloss as a glue and attach it to our canvas. So I'm just gonna paint this on where I'm gonna put my rock salt. And Mod Podge dries clear, so don't worry if there's some showing once you add your rock salt, because it's gonna dry completely clear. And then you can just piece these all together. So I love these colors together. It's almost like a galaxy that we created. So we went from geode to galaxy, but I just love this look. And, again, so many different ways that you can personalize this, whether you like pink or blue or green, silver or gold, there's so many different options. And so I'm just gonna piece this together. There we go. And then I'm gonna add a little bit right to this bottom here where we added our Glitterific. And, again, I'm just using Mod Podge Gloss as our glue. Don't worry, it's gonna dry clear. And I'm just breaking this off my Mod Podge rock salt. So, again, this stuff is so fun to work with. I'm gonna add one little more piece there and there we go. I'm gonna add one little piece right there. And then you just wanna let this dry overnight and you're gonna have another beautiful geode. (upbeat music) It was so much fun getting to show you how to create these DIY geodes to decorate your space. (upbeat music)