Raggedy Friends
by Christy Hartman
**Palette:**

**DecoArt Americana Acrylics**
- Black Plum #13172
- Bright Yellow #13227
- Dark Chocolate #13065
- Fawn #13242
- Hauser Medium Green #13132
- Honey Brown #13163
- Lamp Black #13067
- Milk Chocolate #13174
- Olive Green #13056
- Santa Red #13170
- Snow White #13001
- Watermelon Slice #13557

**DecoArt Neons**
- Scorching Yellow #18014

**Surface:**
- Large Blocks Set of 4 #62824

**Misc. Supplies:**
- Checkerboard Stencil #70841
- Falling Stars Background Stencil #71899
- DecoArt Media Black Gesso #87416
- DecoArt DuraClear Matte Varnish #87395
- DecoArt MultiPurpose Wood Sealer #87392
- DecoArt DecouPage #83209
- Large Sanding Pad – Fine/Medium #70796
- Identi Pen Black #70830
- Saral Wax FreeTransfer Paper (Sampler Pack) #82069
- Soft Grip Embossing & Stylus – set of 3 #70125
- Tack Cloth #70104
- Book paper

**Brushes:**

**Papillon by the Artist’s Club**
- Round, size 2 #20158; size 4 #20161
- Shader, size 8 #20129
- Angular Shader, size 1/2” #20111; size 3/8” #20110; size 1/4” #20109
- Script Liner, size 18/0 #20136
- Glaze Wash, size 3/4” #20102
- Highlighter Set #20173
- Blending Set #20168
- Stipple Set #20172
- Deerfoot Set #20167
Stencil Brush Set #20189  
**Artist Inspired Brushes**  
Maxine Thomas Mop, size 3/8” #27182

**Preparation:**
Sand the wood with fine sandpaper until smooth. Wipe with a tack cloth to remove any remaining dust. Seal with DecoArt MultiPurpose Sealer using an old brush, sand, and wipe again. Prep each piece by base-coating with Black Gesso. This finishes the surface off on all of the sides of the blocks and adds another layer of protection for the wood.

Using the ¼” checkerboard stencil and Snow White stencil the checkerboard onto the top and sides of each block.

The remainder of the instructions will be completed only on the front of each block.

Let’s Paint the Quote Blocks:  
**Raggedy Word Block:**  
Base the front of the block with Santa Red, dry brush highlight with Watermelon Slice randomly onto the center of the front of the block. You are adding a highlighted area where the tags and letters will be located.

Cut the tags out of book paper and decoupage onto the front of the block. If you prefer to paint your tags basecoat them with Light Buttermilk.  
Transfer the Raggedy letters and paint with Lamp Black, line the highlight in the letters with Snow White.

Float shade under each letter and the tags with Black Plum and float highlight above each letter with Orange Flame.

Dot the hole in the tag with Lamp Black.

Transfer the sunflower shape to the tags. The center of the sunflower will remain the color of the book paper; you will add shading and highlighting for interest. Base coat the sunflower petals with Moon Yellow, float shade with Honey Brown and float highlight with Snow White.

Float shade the centers of the sunflowers with Honey Brown and deepen with Burnt Sienna, dry brush highlight with Moon Yellow and randomly dip dot the centers with Burnt Sienna and Snow White.

Float shade around the outer edge of the sunflower with Hauser Dark Green.
Friends Word Block:
Base the front of the Friends block by loading the ¾” Glaze Wash brush with Blue Violet and dip one corner of the brush into Turquoise. Using a slip slap brush technique base the front of the block reloading your brush as needed to achieve the mottled look. The slip slap technique is a random paint application where you work the paint in all directions so that it takes on a mottled appearance.

Transfer the lettering and the Raggedy Ann’s to the piece.

Under coat the Raggedy Ann’s faces, necks, and hands with Fawn.

Undercoat the FRIENDS letters with Moon Yellow and base with Orange Flame. Float highlight the lettering with Bright Yellow and deepen with Neon Scorching Yellow. Line shade the lettering with Lamp Black and line highlight with Snow White.

Paint the Raggedy Ann’s faces using the instructions found below to paint the larger Raggedy in the Scenery Block.

Are a blessing! block:
Base the front of the block by loading the ¾” Glaze Wash brush with Blue Violet and dip one corner of the brush into Turquoise. Using a slip slap brush technique base the front of the block reloading your brush as needed to achieve the mottled look.

Transfer the lettering and the giraffe.

Using the Falling Stars Background stencil and Moon Yellow randomly stencil stars surrounding the lettering and the giraffe, note the smaller star under the exclamation point.

Under coat the lettering and exclamation point with Moon Yellow and base with Orange Flame.
Float highlight with Bright Yellow and deepen with Neon Scorching Yellow. Line shade the lettering with Lamp Black and line highlight with Snow White.

Basecoat the giraffe with Moon Yellow, float shade with Honey Brown and dry brush highlight with Snow White.

Base the spots, inside the nostrils, mouth, and the knobs on the horns with Burnt Sienna.

Line highlight the nostrils, mouth, and knobs on the horns with Snow White.

Base the mane and end of the tail with Burnt Sienna, line the mane and tail with Honey Brown and Moon Yellow to add a light highlight. Line the mane with Electric Pink to deepen the highlight.

Base the patches with Electric Pink. Float shade with Watermelon Slice and dip dot with Snow White.

Base the hooves with Lamp Black and line highlight with Snow White.

Using a stylus dip dot the eyes with Lamp Black and dot a highlight in the eyes with Snow White.  

**Raggedy Scenery Block:**

Load the ¾˝ Glaze Wash brush with Snow White and dip one corner into Indian Turquoise. Using a slip slap brush technique base the front of the block. The slip slap technique is a random paint application where you work the paint in all directions so that it takes on a mottled appearance.

Blending the Snow White and Indian Turquoise back and forth and reloading your brush as needed while reworking the areas until you are satisfied with the result. This will become the sky for the piece but you are also undercoating the entire piece.

Load the ½˝ Deerfoot brush with Hauser Medium Green and dip the toe of the brush into Olive
Green and using a side to side motion blend the loaded deer foot brush across the grassy area, this will develop a blended look on your grass. Randomly stipple Electric Pink throughout the grassy area.

Float shade under the tree, sunflowers, house, path, and Raggedy Ann with Hauser Dark Green.

Load the $\frac{1}{2}”$ Highlighter brush with Olive Green, lay the brush on its side and stipple/press the upper portion of the brush to develop the light areas of the grass with Olive Green. This is accomplished by loading just the upper half of the brush with paint and lightly pressing/stippling the brush so that it forms a random curved line of Olive Green on the grass which will develop a natural highlight. Repeat this all over the grassy area.

Transfer the centers of the sunflowers to book paper, cut them out and glue them to the raggedy scenery board with Decou-Page using the line art as your template for placement. If you do not want to use book paper you can always paint the centers of the sunflowers with Light Buttermilk. The center of the sunflower will remain the color of the book paper; you will add shading and highlighting for interest.

Base coat the sunflower petals with Moon Yellow, float shade with Honey Brown and float highlight with Snow White.

Float shade the centers of the sunflowers with Honey Brown and deepen with Burnt Sienna dry brush highlight with Moon Yellow, randomly dip dot the centers with Burnt Sienna and Snow White.

Float shade around the outer edge of the sunflower with Hauser Dark Green on the grassy area. Transfer the remainder of the design and float shade with a glaze float of Blue Violet around the design elements which are in the sky area such as the upper sunflowers, upper portion of the tree, house and Raggedy Ann’s head. Keep this shading very transparent so it remains a soft subtle shadow.

Tree: Base the tree with Milk Chocolate, shade with Dark Chocolate, and dry brush highlight with Honey Brown. Load a deer foot brush with Hauser Medium Green and stipple the foliage on the tree, using the dirty brush from the previous application add Hauser Dark Green to the heel of the brush and Olive Green to the toe of the brush and stipple shade and highlight at the same time. Reapply paint as you need to finish the foliage of the tree.

Line the grass, leaves and sunflower stem with Hauser Dark Green and Olive Green as a highlight. Transfer the swing, outline with Lamp Black. Base the seat of the swing with Blue Violet, dry brush highlight with Indian Turquoise.

Base the house with Electric Pink, float shade with Santa Red and dry brush highlight with Snow White. Base the roof with Blue Violet and dry brush highlight with Indian Turquoise. Base the chimney with Santa Red, and dry brush highlight the top of the chimney with Electric Pink. Base the door and heart window with Santa Red, dry brush highlight with Electric Pink.

Base the mailbox with Electric Pink and shade with Santa Red. Base the mailbox post with Blue Violet.
Base the path with Milk Chocolate.
Add the grass with Hauser Dark Green and line highlight with Olive Green.

Raggedy Ann:

Transfer Raggedy Ann and base the face and neck with Hi-Lite Flesh, float shade with Shading Flesh, dry brush highlight with Snow White.

Base her nose with Santa Red, highlight with Electric Pink.
Using a circular motion dry brush the cheeks with Electric Pink and base the lips with Electric Pink.

Base the eyes with Lamp Black and dip dot beside the nose with Lamp Black. Using a stylus dip dot her eyes with Snow White to highlight.

Base her hair with Santa Red, line the hair using the following paint colors allowing each previous color to show: Orange Flame, line shade with Black Plum, and add a line highlight with Electric Pink.

Base the shirt with Snow White, float shade with Milk Chocolate.

Base the bow and pinafore straps with Blue Violet, dry brush highlight with Indian Turquoise.

**Finishing:**
Using the IdentiPen – Black, line all of the design element details (or outline with Lamp Black). Especially note the facial details on the characters. Finish with DecoArt DuraClear Varnish - Matte.
Raggedy Friends are a blessing!
Pattern at 100%

To ensure your pattern is at 100%, this box should measure 1" x 1" when printed.

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