# AVERAGE TIME CHALLENGE LEVEL 2 HOURS

WOODLAND WINTER
MUSHROOM CONTAINER

Simple Techniques - Stunning Effects



## **MATERIALS**

MB1592 Mushroom Footed
Container
Fan Brush
Medium Round Brush
Detail Brush
Medium Square Shader Brush
Liner Brush
Yellow Sponge Quarter

# **COLORS**

CMM 73 - Honeycomb

CMM 13 - Cinnamon Stick

CMM 105 - Storm

CMM 30 - Red Rock

CMM 67 - Snowflake

CMM 82 - Olive You

CMM 91 - Blue Ice

CMM 72 - Sahara

CMM 12 - Mocha Java



### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. To make the background color we need to water down a blended color. First, mix a quarter sized spot of Storm to quarter sized spot of Olive You. Then add water to that paint mixture; 80% water to 20% paint. It should be VERY thin and watery.
- 2. Use a fan brush to sweep one layer of that paint to the background on the side of the container, its okay if some gets on the mushrooms.
- 3. Add Snowflake paint to some Olive You paint (50%/50%) to make a lighter green. Dip the end of a square shader brush into the paint. Tap the brush onto the background to paint some trees varying the size and design.
- 4. Use a damp sponge to wipe away the paint on the bottom. This will be snow so the best way to wipe it is in a wavy line to imitate snow banks.
- 5. Paint the snow banks with 3 coats of Snowflake taking the paint down to the bottom of the container as well as the feet. Add in small sweeps of Blue Ice using a small brush to accent the snow.
- 6. Add some water to the following colors with 50% water to 50% paint: Sahara, Mocha Java, Honeycomb, Cinnamon Stick, and Red Rocks.
- 7. Paint the stem and underside on each mushroom using the watered-down Sahara and Mocha Java, letting the colors overlap and blend. Then, add in additional sweeps of just Mocha Java to the lines on the underside of the mushroom.
- 8. For the mushrooms use Honeycomb, Cinnamon Sticks, and Red Rocks to fill in the caps. On each of the caps allow the colors to vary. As you paint in the colors, allow them to overlap and blend.
- 9. Add 25% water to 75% Olive You paint. Load up the liner brush and add little sweeps to make tiny plants sprouting from the snow.
- 10. Dip the handle of a very small brush into Red Rocks paint. Tap little dots to each plant.
- 11. Use a detail brush to add white dots to the mushroom caps with Snowflake paint.
- 12. Paint the inside of the container with 3 coats of Red Rocks using a fan brush.

#### **TIPS**

• The colors will blend best when both colors are wet. When you're blending go back and forth between the colors.

