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Ribbon Lettering Directions

There are different ways to create Ribbon Lettering. This is the technique that I use – I use multiple layers so I have more flexibility on colors and options. It also means I don't have to start all over if I mess up or want to change something. *Tip: you can use a piece of ribbon to use as a guide when drawing the curves.

1. Letter your word with one of the Ribbon brushes.
2. Add a new layer on top click the and change the layer setting to Overlay. This will be your Ribbon Outline layer (where you will be drawing the curves).
3. Select the Mono brush and change the color to Black. Adjust the brush size accordingly to get a thin line in order to start drawing in your ribbon curves.
4. Click on your Lettering layer, and choose "Select" in the pop up menu. Then tap on the layer above it that you just set to Overlay (your Ribbon Outline layer).
5. Start drawing in your ribbon curves. This is where you determine the front of the ribbon (lighter color) and the back of the ribbon (darker color). *If you don't want a "darker" color but instead a new color, keep the Ribbon Outline Layer setting to Normal and instead of choosing black, choose the color you want.
6. Next fill in the areas for the back of the ribbon. To make it easy, you can "drop in" the color by dragging your Apple Pencil from the color selector to the area you want filled in.

Adding Shadows
1. To add shadows and highlights to your ribbon, add a Clipping Mask Layer above your Ribbon Outline Layer.

2. Use the Ribbon Airbrush to add the shadows and highlights. You can also use the Mono brush and then use the Airbrush as a Smudge Tool to smooth out the colors.

Details

I thought it would be fun to add some Detail brushes.

-Glossy Brush: add some highlights or shadows to your lettering. Or hand draw some details. You can even use it for lettering!

-Stitch Brushes: add a stitch effect to your ribbons. You would use it just like a brush. Or you can use it as a stamp.

-Stamps Brushes: use around your lettering as finishing touches.

Color Changing Brushes

The Magic and 2 Tone Brushes will change color automatically as you apply pressure to your Apple Pencil when you letter. This is an easy way to get the Ribbon effect without having to draw in the curves. But you have to vary the pressure you use as you letter, otherwise the color won't change.

I have a video on my YouTube Channel on how I create my Ribbon Lettering, you can view it here: https://youtu.be/tiS3DgmMavU

I plan on filming an updated video soon to go over the new brushes and some tips I've learned since filming my original video.

If you have any questions, please message me and I would be happy to help you out.

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