

"Keep on Smiling"

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You will need:

A6 clear stamp sets: Hoist the Flags - PICSA6207
Keep on Smiling - PICSA6208

Black Archival ink pad

Distress ink pads: Broken China, Peeled Paint, Worn Lipstick, Walnut Stain

Tim Holtz blending tool and foam

PIPCARD

PIP300CWH white cardstock

Assorted Memento pens

Tissue Tape - any design

Brush and water

7" x 5" white card blank

Non stick craft sheet

Adhesives and 3D foam

Heat tool

How to:

1. Cut a 6.5" x 4.5" piece of the PIP300CWH cardstock and place onto the craft sheet. Pick up Broken China ink and blend over the top third of the card being sure to work from the edges in and using a circular motion.
2. Pick up some Worn Lipstick ink and blend into areas of the blue. Fill the bottom two thirds of the card with Peeled Paint ink, blending gently into the sky area to create a hill shape.
3. Ink up the row of houses from the Hoist the Flags set and stamp onto the card at the top of the "hill". Ink the door from the Keep on Smiling set using Walnut Stain and stamp about 1.25" from the base of the card slightly to the left. Wet a brush and wipe off most of the water before using it to blend the Walnut Stain ink over the door image. NB don't add too much water as this card stock keeps the ink wetter for longer, and it will smudge.
4. Paint a circle of water to the top right of the card and blot with tissue to create the moon. Paint water over each house and blot to bleach out the colour. Add your chosen colours to the houses and trees using the Memento pens. Set aside.
5. Cut a 5" x 0.5" strip of scrap card. Stick the end of the Tissue Tape to the extreme edge of the strip so that it overlaps it. Now begin to pleat the tape along the length of the strip. Once completed cut the tape and stick the end down.

6. Stick the pleated strip to the card so that it is just below the door image, with the frilled edge at the lower edge. Cut a 0.5" strip of card and softly blend with Walnut Stain ink. Stick this over the strip on the card so that just the pleated edge shows. Trim off any excess card at either side and stick the panel to the card blank.

7. Stamp the trees from the Keep on Smiling set twice onto white card using Archival ink. Lightly colour them using the pens in a sketchy fashion. Cut out the images and then cut away the front tree from each. Stick the two remaining trees flat onto the card at either side of the door. Stick the single trees over them using 3D foam behind the greenery and flat adhesive behind the trunks.

8. Stamp the girl from the Keep on Smiling set onto the gloss card using Archival ink. Set the image using the heat tool. Colour the image using the Memento pens and carefully cut out. Stick the girl to the right of the door using flat adhesive behind her feet and hand, and 3D foam behind her head.

9. Stamp the "Keep on Smiling" sentiment onto the card strip using Archival ink and add three tiny black dots after the words using the fine point of the pen.

Tips:

To avoid the Tissue Tape pleat flattening and sticking to the card, brush a little talcum powder onto the sticky surface after you have adhered it to the card strip.

The 300 gsm card allows ink colours to be lifted out using water to create the faux bleached effect.



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