

A Few Words About Design Master™ Floral Paint

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In previous issues we have mentioned that Design Master Floral Paint, which is sold by Michael's stores, is an excellent paint for adding color to your model. It is made for use in the floral industry and is extremely light and thin. Two important things to keep in mind when using it: (1) Spray several VERY light coats rather than just one or two wet coats. I've sprayed it on Japanese tissue which had been sprayed with two coats of 50/50 nitrate clear and have had beautiful results. However, if you spray it on wet, especially on smaller masked areas, it will tend to cause the tissue to wrinkle and remain wrinkled. (2) Design Master produces a "super silver" color, which when sprayed on pre-doped tissue is beautiful. HOWEVER, be aware that you must not use this particular color if you intend to do any masking. The masking tape will lift the color right off. The color doesn't tend to rub off, but masking tape will lift it. Although I haven't used other of their metallic colors, I suspect the same result would be found with them. The nonmetallic colors don't exhibit this problem.