## **Materials Workshop**

## Mica By Mary Hettmansperger

Mica is a mineral group known as silicate minerals, better know as sheet silicates because the form distinct layers. Mica layers are fairly light, relatively soft and the sheets and the flakes of Mica are flexible when reduced to thin layers and small pieces. This material is not very useful all by itself. But can be used in a variety of ways in the Art world. Mary will show how mica can enhance paints, protect surfaces and add a bit of shine to many projects. Mica can be cut when it is in the sheet form and holes can be either punched or drilled.

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