

## Materials Workshop

### Colored Pencils on Copper

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Colored pencils on copper –

Adding color to the surface of copper using colored pencils is easy, safe and creates a variety of results. Create a base in which the colored pencils will adhere to on copper. This can be achieved by 1<sup>st</sup> getting a layer of fire scale. You can then apply a green patina, creating tooth to the surface. The other method is again....get a layer of fire scale by heating the copper, then instead of applying a green patina, paint on a layer of gesso. Once the gesso or the green patina had dried then color the prepared metal with the colored pencils. After applying the colored pencil, spray the surface with matte fixative. If you would like more than one layer use a workable fixative then you can color on the surface again. If you are applying just the one single layer of colored pencil, then spray with final fixative.

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