

## **Cookie Tin Earrings**

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#### **Materials needed:**

Old cookie tins  
Metal blanks for embossing  
Patina paints  
Patina glaze or spray varnish  
20-gauge eye pin  
Silver beads or spacers  
Ear wires

#### **Tools:**

Aviation snips  
Sizzix Big Shot machine  
Movers and Shapers dies in ovals, circles, and Movers and Shapers shapes  
DecoEmboss folder  
Small metal hole punch pliers  
Relieving block  
Round-nose pliers  
Flat-nose pliers

#### **Instructions:**

1. Use the aviation snips to cut the flat portion of the cookie tin lid apart from the rim. If necessary, trim the tin lid so it fits through the Sizzix machine.
2. Place the Movers and Shapers platform onto the Sizzix machine, then the Movers and Shapers die. Place the tin lid onto the die, making sure the pretty side of the tin is face down. Place the cutting pad on top.
3. Run the platform/pad assembly through the Sizzix machine. Repeat for a second earring.
4. Use the small hole punch to punch a hole in the top of each tin component (you may also add a rivet here if you'd like).
5. Place a metal blank into the DecoEmboss folder, switch platforms on the Sizzix machine according to manufacturer's instructions for the folder, and run the blank through the machine. Repeat for a second earring.
6. Use patina paints to add color to the recessed areas of the embossed blanks if desired.
7. Use the relieving block to highlight the embossed areas of the design on each blank.
8. If desired, use patina glaze or spray varnish to seal each blank.
9. Place one blank on top of one tin cutout. Use the wire to form a wrapped loop that attaches to the holes in the blank and tin cutout. String beads or spacers in desired order. Form a wrapped loop. Repeat for a second earring.
10. Attach one ear wire to the top loop. Repeat for a second earring.

**Sources:**

Metal blanks for embossing: [www.ImpressArt.com](http://www.ImpressArt.com)

DecoEmboss folder, Patina paints, and relieving block: [www.Vintaj.com](http://www.Vintaj.com)

Sizzix machine and dies: [www.Sizzix.com](http://www.Sizzix.com)

Hole punch pliers: [www.Beadalon.com](http://www.Beadalon.com)