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# THE WORKING ARTIST

Décor Tends, DIY, Recipes, & Art Classes with Yvette St. Amant



## FROM PAPER TO PRINT

Do you ever wonder how all those cool products you buy for your home and garden are created?

For over 15 years I have been creating many products for the home décor industry. I work directly for a publisher who transform my paper and canvas art into high high quality images that are used on a variety of products such as wrapped canvases, furniture, and accessories.

Creating art is what I do, however, seeing my art on products and in homes is very rewarding. One of the perks of being an artist is to see individuals around the world enjoying and loving my art.

The world of technology is moving in on traditional art with digital creation and manipulation. In a world of technology it's hard for many to believe that I still create using the traditional skills of paint and ink on paper to create my masterpieces. The process is quite amazing and I am privileged as an artist to keep the traditional artisan crafts alive. Read more...

**READ MORE HERE**

<http://www.yvettestamant.com/artist-statement>

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# TROPICAL LIVING



## "FROM CONTEMPORARY TO ECLECTIC."

"There are many ways you can incorporate a tropical vibe within your living space. It's all about loving some great art and fusing it with your current decor. Let's take a look at how you can achieve this."

**Tip 1:** Finding a great piece of art that you love is the best place to start. I always encourage individuals to pick something they love without trying to match it with their furniture. You can use the art as inspiration for some other accents in the room. Art is the main focal point in any space, so it's important to find something you really love.

**Tip 2:** Once you have found the perfect piece of art, select a color within the painting that makes you happy. Use this color to find other accessories for your space to tie in the decor and bring some movement into the atmosphere. Suggestions are: cushions, vases, plants, sculptures, throws, and lamps.

**Example 1:** Contemporary: In the first image to the left, my "Tropical Trio" paintings were the inspiration. The focus was to select one color from the art and bring a pop of color to tie in the decor. To keep the contemporary look, pair some simple line or geometric patterned cushions with some tropical ones using your focal color. Green was the accent color used to elevate this contemporary look and tie in a tropical ambiance.



**Example 2:** Eclectic: The second image to the left uses my "Palm Party" collection to add a tropical feel to this eclectic decor. Picking up a small amount of the coral color and adding some table top decor pulls in a cohesive feel without turning everything into an over bearing tropical space. The natural textured elements and neutral colors bring in a subtlety of tropics. This is a perfect example of how you can keep your home fairly similar to how it is by changing the art and adding small accessories.



**Example 3:** Coastal: Another way to transform a space is by adding beautiful art that contrasts the rooms decor color. This is a nice way to freshen up your space without using a color found in the art. The last example to the left uses my "Tropical Twist" collection. Although this is a "Tropical Luxe" style, the monochromatic color scheme of the art is easy to pair with a neutral toned environment and accented with bits of teal, steel grey, and clear accessories for a breezy coastal look.

## DIY ART POUCH

"PERFECT STORAGE FOR ON THE GO CREATING"

I get asked this question a lot...*"when you travel, what art supplies do you pack and what do you carry them in?"*

*My go to supplies are: pencils, gel pens, acrylic ink, and an art journal.*



My children also love packing creative tools when we head out on family vacation such as pencil crayons, markers, drawing pads, coloring books and composition books for writing stories. This inspired me to create a series of art pouches that can be made in just about any size. They are perfect for all your creative traveling and I have an easy DIY tutorial for you to enjoy. Just visit my Youtube channel in the link below and enjoy this free tutorial.

### WATCH TUTORIAL HERE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mwDF4-olRR8&t=7s>

## Papaya Slaw with Grilled Shrimp



### Ingredients:

2 cups shredded papaya  
2 cups shredded carrots  
2 mangos diced  
2 green onions diced  
2 tbsp fresh mint chopped  
2 serrano peppers diced  
1-2 lbs shrimp cleaned and shelled

Shrimp Seasoning: olive oil, salt/pepper, paprika, garlic

### Dressing:

¼ cup olive oil  
juice of 2 limes  
1 tbsp honey  
salt/pepper

1. In a large bowl whisk together dressing ingredients.
2. Add papaya, carrots, mango, green onion, mint, and serrano peppers to the bowl and toss in dressing.
3. Season shrimp with drizzle olive oil, salt, pepper, paprika, and garlic.
4. Heat skillet on high. Add 1 tbsp olive oil and sear shrimp until pink, or you can griddle on bbq.
5. Add slaw to serving plate and top with grilled shrimp.

BON APPETITE!

# Learning Art: I'M ON SKILLSHARE!



I'm excited to announce that I currently have a number of courses available on Skillshare! If you are already a member on Skillshare stop by and check out my courses. I am teaching a variety of techniques in drawing, painting, and illustration. If you are not a member of Skillshare, please feel free to use the link below to access all my classes for FREE for a period of 2 months. It's a wonderful platform for learning all kinds of skills and you can access thousands of creators. I guarantee you'll find something new.

**TRY IT FOR FREE**

<https://www.skillshare.com/r/user/yvettestamant>

## Upcoming Workshops

Bark Art Journal  
Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Scottsdale, AZ at Holland Gallery in Arizona Foothills  
Community Foundation

Explore the use of natural materials in a pint sized creation. Design and construct your very own book of art using a variety of papers, and nature's finest mediums. Pair these papers with ink, charcoal, birch bark, hemp, and wax linen threads, for a twist on re-purposed art. Learn to incorporate tucks, pockets, and embellished stitches within the bound pages of this journal to hold the wonderful collection of mixed media treasures you will create.

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