



Doll Classes Online

Class Four - VARIOUS TOOLS TO USE IN DOLL MAKING

- DANA Ok - lets start ...
- DANA I will explain the rules ...
- DANA 1. Lets keep all chit chat until the end to make things easier to understand
- DANA 2. I will ask a question - answer yes, no or whatever so you aren't kicked out of the classroom
- DANA 3. FOR CONTEST ... I go by the winner on MY SCREEN
- DANA (as in the first person to respond).
- DANA I always ask - if others see it too ...
- DANA but sometimes ladies - the name is different on different people's screen
- DANA Ok - at the studio - and small laptop typing hahah - so forgive mistakes
- DANA ****NOTES****
- DANA 1. This is the last class for free wiggling of 2018.
- DANA December I am mostly offline with orders and then enjoying the holidays with family
- DANA 2. IN JANUARY ... I will be back with the free wiggling classes
- DANA every Monday - unless noted.
- DANA The first Monday - we will be learning CANDY's hair style (a sprayed flat bun)
- DANA The single best place to find information
- DANA is SUNDAY before class
- DANA go to my LEARN section
- DANA and see if there are notes
- DANA a worksheet
- DANA or if something came up (as in real life with aging parents) and I can't teach.
- Deb L I have them on the calendar also
- DANA Alrighty - as I have you here ... I have to come up with a new trio of tutorial classes for the AM articles
- DANA would you like to see ...

DANA outlander, Downton Abby or Worth gowns
Deb L Abby
AnnieR yes
glory418 Downton Abby
Bonnie B yes
NathM downton abbey
Lynn_B Downton
nathalie G downtown abbey
teresa_z downton abby
Jennifer_S outlander or downton
Marg_L. outlander
Jeanp Abbey
Pam outlander
Mari outlander or abbey
AnnieR Abby
carrie i can't decide
Nell Pappas Outlander
Bonnie B Worth
DANA hahah - I had such a TIE with the other questions on the list or facebook - I'm stymied <G>
DANA One other note ... MARI I used 2 full red roses for MERRY Clause <G> just a heads up for the reveal tonight <G>
DANA so if anyone asks for the full roses --- you know what they are talking about!
DANA this pattern - could also be used for the MARCH upcoming MADAM house <G>
DANA HERE we go for class ...
DANA Today I am going to discuss various tools
DANA and what to use them for with miniature doll making.
DANA 1. HAIR ...
DANA viscose - dab lake has it for sale
DANA in a variety of colors!
DANA Don't use mohair ugh <G> ...
DANA unless you are making faeries - then its cool
DANA or you practice.
DANA This is a personal preference and just try both if you wish.
DANA Nathalie M - don't you have colored mohair you sell too? I had some of your pink?
DANA that actually worked well.

NathM I don't have anymore!

DANA Now to curl the viscose

DANA you need a variety of knitting needles

DANA I like the ones with pointy ends on both sides

DANA this way you can slide the curl off either end

DANA the longer ones are great for wrapping multiple curls

DANA Also ---

DANA you need TAPESTRY needles

DANA they work better then corsage pins.

DANA My personal ones - have little fimo handles on one end

DANA so its easier to grab and roll the tiny amount of hair.

DANA To make - simply take your blunt end (tapestry needle) and roll a little piece of fimo around other end and bake

DANA You can also color coordinate this - so you know which size tapestry needle you are picking up

DANA I do like to have various size long quilting needles ---

DANA as they are easier to pick apart the curls (when making the loose wavy curls)

DANA Lastly don't hesitate to find some of the straight rulers ...

DANA the ones that they use for scrap booking ...

DANA they are usually triangle - and when you wrap curls around it

DANA it makes great (bob) style curls you can cut in shape.

DANA (as in flapper)

DANA when you wrap the hair around the triangle

DANA and get one nice bend from an edge

DANA (once hair is set and dry)

DANA cut off only the bend part

DANA and use it as forehead bangs.

DANA OR a fara fawcet style.

DANA Don't use plastic, wooden needles.

DANA Metal takes the hair straightener heat better

DANA THE only exception to this ---

DANA is if you make a wiggling cross ...

DANA and then decide to wrap tiny Q-tips up hair

DANA like old style hair curlers

DANA and hold with a pin

DANA Been experimenting with that

DANA and that plastic really works well!

DANA Questions on tools used for making curls?

Deb L do you heat the Q tips

nathalie G i don't really see what the triangle ruler is.. I have to Google it

DANA Deb - I cut the ends off straight (obviously the cotton comes off) and if necessary use a fine nail file. BUT

DANA as you wrap the hair around the middle of rod ...

DANA and then gently unroll to get the curls - you don't hit the edges

DANA Nathalie - yes - perhaps best way. I found mine at a thrift store

DANA Alrighty ...

DANA lets move on to different hair straightness/flat iron

DANA I like the smaller - the better

DANA these seem to heat up faster

DANA and are easier to wrap around the rod

DANA so that you don't burn your fingers.

DANA If you can find one with velvet (top of clamp)

DANA even better - so you don't have to worry about burning your fingers and can clamp

DANA 2. REMEMBER ... the longer you clamp on the viscose

DANA the more it dries.

DANA Sometimes when you want to make lush waves ... (as in the photo of Merry) - Veronica Lake

DANA its best to have hair ALMOST set - so not crispy.

DANA 3. There are two settings on m flat iron ...

DANA I use the lower one for (the above wavy hair)

DANA BUT for some reason

DANA if you use the hotter setting for small corsage pin curls

DANA they set and stay better

DANA Recap:

DANA looser curls use the lower setting

DANA tighter ringlets use the higher setting.

DANA 4. Try one of the crimping irons.

DANA These look like flat irons ... but give a soft texture instead of wavy

DANA to our dolls hair.

DANA SO if you want a frizzy old lady head

DANA or ethnic hair

DANA its a great way to cheat and get it

DANA Questions on flat iron?

DANA GREAT!

DANA Hairspray ...

DANA I have used so many different kinds ...
Marg_L. Does heating it longer or less affect the hair too?
DANA and like my Aveda Air control the best
DANA (Marg?
DANA like breaking the hair?
Marg_L. Longer would break it?
DANA yes ... the viscose - should only be heated (set) until it is shiny
DANA (you can see damp viscose on a rod go from flat color to shiny)
DANA Shiny is almost over done.
DANA think shiny= crispy <G>

DANA hahahhaha
DANA Alrighty ...
Marg_L. Can it be rewet and start again?
DANA yes
DANA anything can - but you do need to let it dry toughly or it ends up a soggy
mess
DANA then you will have to pick it apart again also
DANA my vote is to chuck it and order more from Deb hahahah
DANA I guess the BIGGEST tip in wiggling
DANA is to simply have wine
DANA not kidding
DANA STRESS and wiggling
DANA makes everything worse
DANA and if you are stressed
DANA or your hands are rough and catch the fibers
DANA or your minds eye KNOWs what the hair style is SUPPOSE to look like
but doesn't
DANA or your EGO won't allow the fact that you are learning and you get
frustrated!
DANA You know - that burning - instant hot - flash - that makes your hands
sticky
DANA hair sticks
DANA dolls go flying...
DANA hat kind of stress...
DANA NOW ... on the other hand
DANA a little wine
DANA oh well - we'll see what happens attitude

DANA and all of a sudden your doll looks amazing
DANA Though I do have to warn you ...
DANA TOOOO much wine - and your doll ends up a porn star <G>
DANA (ok - well at least with me <>G)
Mari So thats why my dolls look like that LOL!
DANA ooops too much info <G>
DANA Alrighty - see you got me in such a great mood
DANA One last note ladies ...
DANA we have a new sculptor ALEX on the list ...
DANA that is working on molds
DANA very cool sculpts (the molds need a bit of work)
DANA so when you see the doll tonight
DANA please make a comment about the face SCULPT on the list
DANA tonight
DANA (I don't care about me making the doll)
DANA Alrighty --- have to finish the doll - big hug and Merry Christmas
everyone!

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