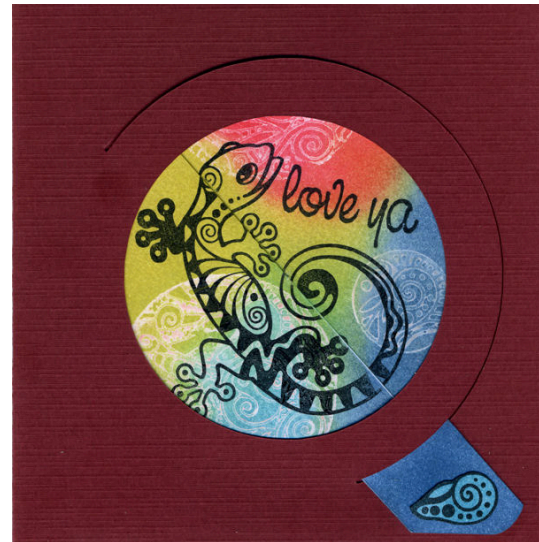
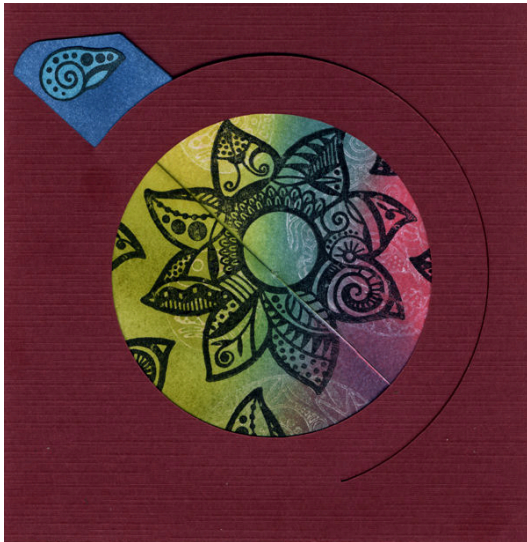


Circle Transition Card

This mechanism is known under several names.

Volvellum = medieval Latin, and means: old device consisting of one or more movable circles, surrounded by other graduated or figured circles. It was a chart designed as a calendar.

I made my own interpretation.

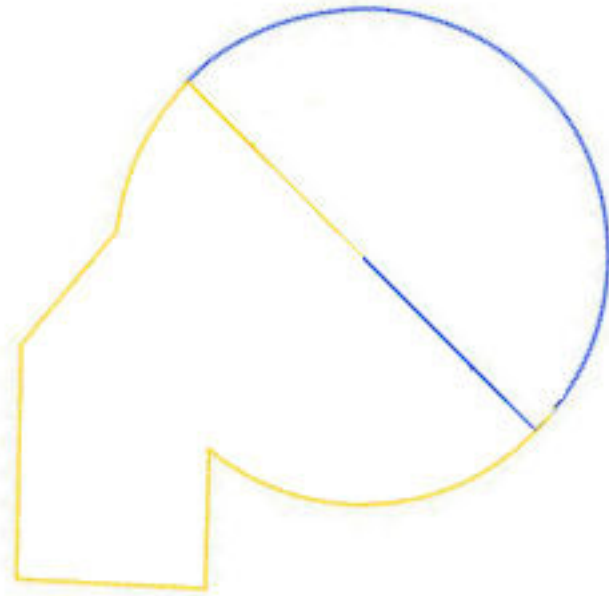


- Start with cutting the card and the parts of the mechanism. You could print out the PDFs and cut those out and use as a template. The card itself I made from 220 grams cardstock, the mechanism parts I cut from 200 grams white printer paper.

(If you happen to own a plotter such as a CraftRobo, Silhouette, Cougar, KNK, Pazzles or other brand, ask for the cut file. I have them all.)

- When you have all the parts cut out, lay aside the card.
- Take the 'blue' and 'yellow' mechanism parts and put them together as in the first part of the assembly PDF

You now have this:



- Stamp your first image (I used the flower) on this circle, but be aware not the whole diameter will show. A rim of 7mm will be shielded by the card and won't show.

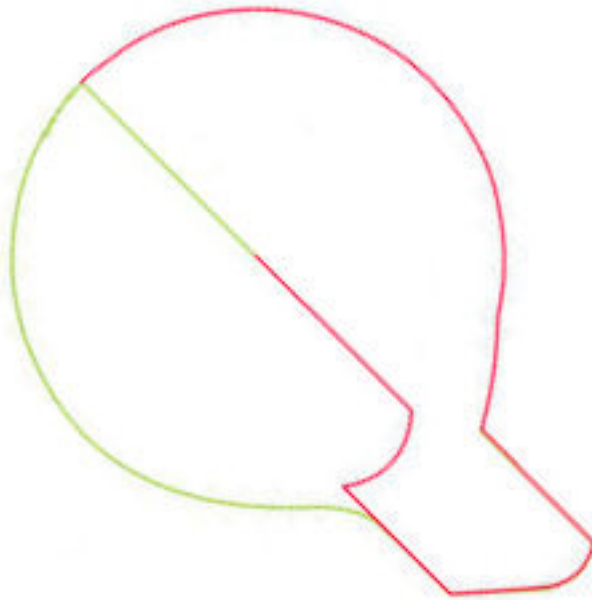
You might want to use the inner circle that you got as you cut out the card. Place it on the parts and use a very soft pencil to draw a thin line around the red circle. After stamping you can erase it again. If the line does not disappear completely, it is not a disaster. It either is just behind the card or is taken for a shadow.



I deliberately did not try to place the flower in the middle (chances that it goes just a bit off centered are too big), and stamped the leaves to 'fill' were I felt it necessary.

- Take the 'green' and the 'red' mechanism parts, and also put these two together.

Look at the picture below.

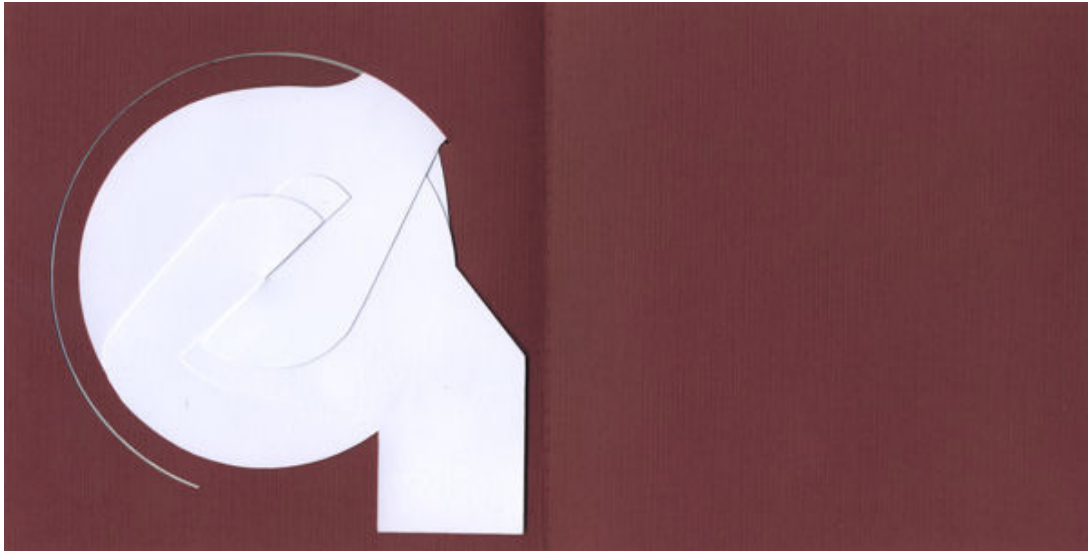


Make sure this position is how you see the parts.

- Stamp your second image (I used the lizard) on this circle. The outer rim of 7mm will not show! Try the circle trick for a good result. I stamped my text after assembling the card. I use stamps on Ez-mount so I get a very clear view where my text is going to be.
- Now that you stamped and maybe colored your images, take the 'red' and the 'green' part apart.

Study the assembly PDF how to add the 'red' part to the already assembled 'yellow' and 'blue' parts, and after that add the 'green' part as shown on the assembly PDF. Make sure the all parts meet at the center. Try the mechanism.

- If the mechanism works (you might need to try it a few times to smoothen mechanism) you glue the handles of the 'yellow' and 'blue' part together as in the picture. Only glue the handles! When the glued handle is dry, glue the handle from the 'green' and 'red' part also exactly on each other.
- Stick the handle from the 'green' and 'red' part through the slit to the front, and glue the 'blue/yellow' handle to the inside of the card.
- Make sure the circle from the mechanism is positioned in the center of the rounded slit, and only put glue on the handle.



- Turn the card over so that the front is facing you.
- If the handle is in the right lower corner you will see the halves of the 'red/green' circle; the second image.
- If you put the handle up to the left top corner you will see the first image you stamped on the 'blue/yellow' circle.
- I stamped the small circle and colored it, cut out the little shape I wanted and glued it to the handle. Just a nice touch.
- If you are a tidy person like me, you might want to cover the mechanism on the inside of the card with a square just a tiny bit smaller and only glued to the corners. It also gives your card more body.
- If you want to save postage, you can also glue the front and the back of the card together (only the corners), and write your message to the back.

I hope you enjoy making this card.

