

KEYWORD SEARCH

**CRYSTALLIZED™ - Swarovski Elements**

- Crystal Beads
- Crystal Pendants
- Crystal Components
- Crystal Pearls
- Crystal Sew-On Stones

**GLASS BEADS**

- Glass Beads
- Lampwork Glass Beads
- Cubic Zirconia Beads
- Artist Beads

**JAPANESE SEED BEADS**

- Round Seed Beads
- Seed Bead Shapes
- Delicas by Number
- Delicas by Color

**NATURAL BEADS**

- Semi-Precious Beads
- Freshwater Pearls
- Wood, Shell, Horn, Bone
- Felt and Resin Beads

**METAL BEADS**

- Alphabet Beads
- Silver Beads
- Gold Beads
- Brass Beads
- Copper Beads
- Thai Hill Tribe Silver

**CHARMS AND PENDANTS**

- Silver Charms
- Gold Charms
- Brass Charms
- Copper Charms
- Stamping Blanks & Charms
- Pendants
- Buttons

**SILVER COMPONENTS**

- Findings
- Clasps
- Ear Wires
- Links, Caps, Components
- Bangles and Rings

## Techniques: Metal Stamping

Stamp a simple saying or a loved ones name into a piece of sterling silver. Use metal stamps to create a one-of-a-kind gift for that special someone.

Beading Techniques > Metal Working Techniques > Metal Stamping



**Materials**

- Sterling Silver Stamping Blank

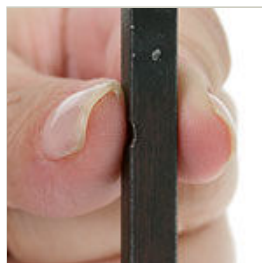
**Tools**

- Letter Stamps or Design Stamps
- Bench Block
- Household Hammer (16 oz)
- Masking Tape

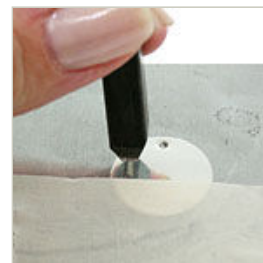
**Tip:** We used the 2.4mm letter stamps for this technique. Try combining different size letter stamps.



**Step 1**  
Lay the silver piece on a bench block. Use a piece of masking tape to hold the piece down and to use as a guide for the lettering.



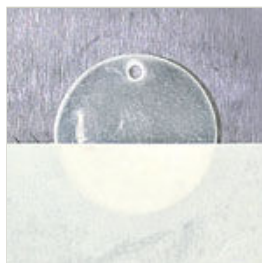
**Step 2**  
Choose the first metal stamp. Hold the stamp so that the impression will be right side up. Some stamps have thumb notches to ensure that the letter is right side up.



**Step 3**  
Line up the letter to be stamped using the reflection in the silver and the masking tape.



**Step 4**  
Hold the stamp straight up and down. Using a 16oz household hammer, hit the top



**Step 5**  
This should leave a clean, deep impression of the letter or design.



**Step 6**  
Continue stamping the silver. Line up the next letter using the reflection.

Artist Findings

**GOLD COMPONENTS**

Findings

Clasps

Ear Wires

Links, Caps, Components

Bangles and Rings

**BRASS COMPONENTS**

Findings, Clasps, Earwires

Links and Components

**COPPER COMPONENTS**

Findings

Clasps

Ear Wires

Links, Caps, Components

**BASE METAL COMPONENTS**

Findings

**STRINGING MATERIALS**

Chain

Wire

Beading Wire

Beading Thread

Elastic and Cord

Wire Lace Ribbon

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of the letter stamp with with one good hard blow.



**Step 7**

Continue stamping until you have completed your saying or design.

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