



JANET's TIPS FOR LEARNING My Digital Studio

You need to know before hand - ***There is NO MAGICAL MDS*** bean that will help you learn MDS - even going to a class, attending a seminar, etc will not ensure that you become proficient or even know what you are doing. The best way to learn it is to USE it.

But for those who still need some STEPS here are some for you = SAVE THIS SOMEWHERE SAFE

*IF you are comfortable with MDS - please review and send me any "additional steps, tips, modifications you think would help others!)

FIRST -

KNOW WHY you want to learn it and what you want to do with it - the more interested you are the more "coachable/open to learning you are"

Don't EXPECT to know it all

EXPECT a learning curve - even MS word and your new computer had a learning curve

BE PATIENT

KNOW YOUR RESOURCES

CREATE a file in your MY DOCUMENTS labeled MDS

a. Open a MS word document that you jot MDS tips down on - keep this saved in your MDS file

b. Open a MS word document that you log questions on so that you can remember to ask them - keep this saved in MDS

c. Create a sub file within MDS labeled MDS Ideas for you to save MDS ideas you see to (those you right click and save)

d. Create a sub file titled - MDS Handouts - and save any handouts here

TIME - set aside time to PLAY - the more you USE it the more you will learn it

DON'T GET AHEAD OF YOURSELF

a. Learn to walk before you learn to run - the basics are necessary so learn those first!

CONSIDER LOADING MDS on an external Hard drive – MDS will be a memory hog as you download more and more goodies and start to save all of your creations.

NEXT

1. Install It

2. Open It

3. Explore It

a. Take the time to click every button - you will not necessarily know what they are for but take the time to do this - so you are familiar with the general layout of MDS

4. With MDS Open - click on the HELP Button

a. Click on USER Guide - if you are a very visual person I encourage you to print this and 3 hole punch it, place it in a notebook

b. Simply follow the instructions and create

1. A card

2. A scrapbook page

5. With MDS Open -Minimize it and log into www.mydigitalstudio.net - click on the resources tab and review/download as necessary forms, q&a, etc.
6. With MDS open -Minimize it and click on TRAINIG in www.mydigitalstudio.net
 - a. ONLY watch the overview, beginning techniques and step by step projects
 - b. DO NOT overwhelm yourself watching intermediate techniques until you are ready for that step
7. PRACTICE & USE IT - it's just like stamping - it takes time to learn and there is always a new twist, idea, etc that comes up. If you don't use it you don't remember and it's like start over each time
- 8.FOR DEMONSTRATORS ONLY - If planning to MARKET it in your business
 - a. Order the MDS professional sample pack from Stampin' UP!
 - b. Print some samples through Stampin' UP! so you can show your customers the quality and you yourself can see them and go through the process
 - c. Print some 8 1/2 x 11 pages/flyers, hybrid cards on your printer so you can show those to customers

RESOURCES to PRINT and keep HANDY – many are for Demonstrators only – if you cannot access them it will be for that reason. Contact me today to find out you have can have access to great support and resources...

1. http://api.ning.com/files/cc-QAd3QhzJnumlji1CXeiA6UksfRTZQmAtPt4Qkj6JRUB21yFYfcH9m4V8jnBrX*3FGsy0v2CMG*eAMYUCNriFXaKMvS83/MDS_pricingList_0311_US.pdf
2. http://204.228.150.61/MDSnet/catalog/MDS_Catalog_2009_March_2011.pdf
3. http://api.ning.com/files/5g3LH1lUc3cU9X1eSzkwOTsqy7d3oY-kzsm8EVKppNPe4FxVeWU6SXDNEvnDwPDmnXl6O6yBPYFhj1Tx6nDoeFpt8j7p*ali/Content_included_in_boxed_version_of_My_Digital_Studio.pdf

RESOURCES TO BOOKMARK AND CHECK FOR ANSWERS FIRST – again some of these resources are for demonstrators only – they are in BOLD

1. www.stampinup.com - [Home](#) > [Products & Promotions](#) > My Digital Studio
2. www.mydigitalstudio.net - the forum and video section is amazing
3. www.remarkablycreated.com - I have started adding some quick training snipits on MDS
4. remarkablestampers@yahoo.com -our yahoo group is for supporting and growing - ask your questions here
5. info@remarkablestampers.com - ME
6. MDS events - SU convention, RemARKable, set up a 1:1 appointment with me if you feel more comfortable.

I am not "computer" savvy and if I can do it I have faith in each and everyone of you to conquer this program!

Happy Digital Crafting!

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