How to Draw…

The Sacred Heart

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Instructions:

1. Draw the design lightly in pencil. Color it evenly as shown. Colors used are (K) JASMINE/flame, (D) LAKE RED/heart, (M) BURNT OCHRE/thorns.

2. Now, add another layer of color over the first. Inside the heart, use a purple from the chart to shade the outer edges. To blend it into the red, just press more lightly as you work your way toward the center. This will give it a 3-dimensional look. Use the same shade of purple to make the small dimples in the heart where the thorns are piercing. Use it to make the small drops of blood coming from the thorns. Using the brighter reds and oranges, layer the colors to give it a rich bright appearance. Don't forget to add it inside the woven thorn branches. Your color should be blended and even.

3. In this final step, I outlined the flame with a deep red. Next I blended (I) ORANGE into that. Then I added a (J) BRIGHT YELLOW. Next, I drew a smaller identical flame inside of it. The more the colors overlap, the more blended they will be. I added a tiny red flame in the center, giving the effect of a very hot flame. To finish the thorns, I went in with my (N) DARK BROWN and outlined them again, making them stand out. Next using my (M) BURNT OCHRE I darkened the branches and thorns. Finally, I added (I) ORANGE on top of that, blending it all together.