

My Wonderful

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HOW TO

Create Amazing Walls in the Nursery and Kid Rooms

IN **5** SIMPLE STEPS

INTRODUCTION



Welcome to My Wonderful Walls! We are so happy to have you with us! Perhaps you are planning your first nursery, decorating your children's playroom, or deciding on the decor for living room or office.



Whatever the reason that lead you to us, we are delighted that you found us and are excited to help you create the perfect space! After reading this guide, you'll feel confident and excited to WONDER-IZE your children's rooms. Simply follow the 5 simple steps we've outlined and give them a **room they will remember forever!** Let's get started!



Here's a little about our journey. We are Michael and Stephanie Goins - a husband and wife team who have been proudly designing wall decor since 2008. The **lightbulb moment** for our company happened when Michael was hand-painting a tree in our son's bedroom. "As an artist, I've always liked that sort of thing, but I realize that some people lack the artistic confidence." And that's when we started My Wonderful Walls. Our mission was and always has been to **make you look and feel like an artist, regardless of your artistic ability.** We provide you with **all the tools and instruction you'll need** to turn your space from BORING to BREATHTAKING! We've got stencils for those who want to paint and easy, peel-and-stick fabric decals for instant **makeovers.** We have designs for babies, kids, grown-ups, for the home, office, pet spas, schools and more! And if you need something customized to suit your needs, we can help with that too! Each day we receive pictures, positive reviews and kind words from customers. We are a small but mighty team, **ready to help you make your walls wonderful!**



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STEP 1: GET INSPIRED!

Sometimes, the hardest part is the first step. Get inspiration and ideas by browsing [pictures and photo reviews](#) our customers have shared with us over the years. See for yourself that there is no wrong way to do it, just great variations with gorgeous results. Check out all the variations!



STEP 2: PLAN THE LAYOUT

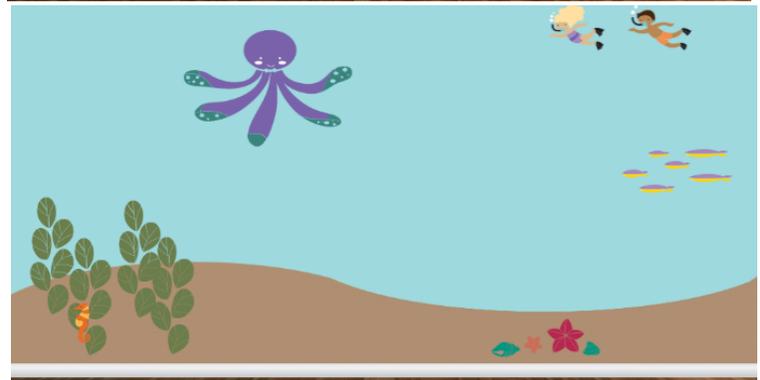
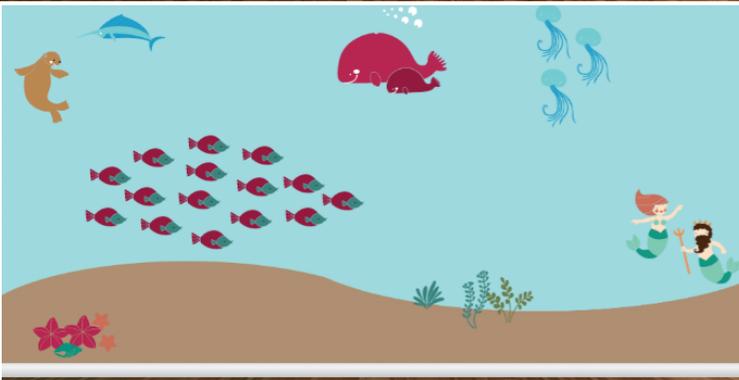
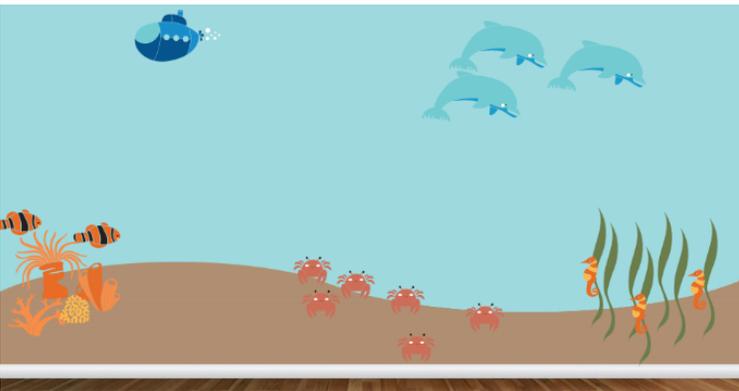
It's a good idea to plan out the layout of your design prior to decorating. For our kids' full room kits, we've designed a useful tool for just that! The [Virtual Mural Builder](#) allows you to plan the whole room. Simply drag and drop the elements from the panel to the scene. Try different variations and see what you like best. Once you get the design as you want it, simply print it out to use a reference when you go to stencil or put up the decals. If you are decorating more than one wall, we suggest printing out a separate scene for each wall.



1. Open the [Virtual Mural Builder](#).



2. Drag and drop the elements from panel.



3. Create a separate scene for each wall you plan to decorate.

4. Print them out to use as a reference when you begin to paint or put up the decals.

STEP 3: SET THE SCENE



If you are using one of the large full-room/full-wall mural kits, we highly recommend making a two-tone background to create the look of sky and hills or water and sand for the ocean scene. With this backdrop, it will allow you to create a sense of depth in the scene and will allow you to ground the elements. For example, place a small giraffe walking on a hill in the background with large jungle trees in the foreground. Without the hill, you'll have an awkward 'floating giraffe' or will be tempted to put all the elements near the baseboard, which won't lend to the optimal mural.

PAINT: If you choose to paint, you will need two colors of latex paint. Paint the sky and let dry. Then, use chalk to sketch out the top of the hills and you are ready to paint them in. An easy way to paint the hills is with a roller.

For a full tutorial, check out the article [How To Paint the Sky and Hills in the Background](#)

STICKER: If you'd rather put up a hill/sand sticker rather than paint it, no problem! With the hill wall decal or sand decal, you get 10 feet of hill sticker making it super easy to create depth and dimension in your scene.

Links: [Hill Wall Decal](#) [Sand Decal](#)



STEP 4: MAKE IT WONDERFUL!

The planning is done. The prep work is done. Now, it's time for the "main act"! Make sure to read the instruction guide before you begin to install the decals/paint the mural. We include a lot of tips and tricks in the in guide, so don't be tempted to skip over this part. It will make the decorating process a lot more fun and the end results even better!

After you've installed/painted the walls, you'll probably find that you don't want to stop there. The good news is, you don't have to. There are so many ways that you can take it up a notch and make your mural WONDERFUL!

Here are some great ideas we came up with to WONDER-IZE the [Friendly Farm Stencil Kit](#):

Incorporate the furniture: Rather than perceiving the furniture as an obstacle to showcasing the wonderful walls you create, let the furniture work with you. With just a little planning you can easily use your furnishings in the baby nursery or child's bedroom to your advantage.

- Let the charming chicken and chicks peck for food on top of the dresser.
- Paint the leaping cat as if trying to catch a butterfly over bookshelves.
- Place the curious mouse so it appears as if he is trying to climb up the changing table.
- Paint a cheery row of sunflowers along the top of the crib or head of the bed.
- Buzz the bees around the light switch or lamp.



Add texture, embellish and impress:

You can adorn the stencils with common materials found in any craft store.

[Watch video.](#)

- Affix circular mirrors to the centers of the sunflowers.
- Add glam to your painting by gluing brightly colored sequins to the wings of the butterflies or shimmering red apples on the trees.
- Googly eyes are sure to give all the farm animals a silly personality.
- Give texture to the sheep with some fuzzy felt.
- Add yarn to give the horse a soft and attractive mane.
- Glass rocks or mosaic materials could be used to create an impressive stone path.

Accessorize with household items: Decorating your nursery or child's bedroom doesn't have to put a strain on your wallet. Rummage around your house for items to accessorize the room. Here are a few simple and fun ideas for our farm theme kit.

[Watch video](#)

- Sew two bandanas together and stuff to make quick-and-easy throw pillows for the rocker.
- Fill a wagon, wooden crate or wicker basket with toys or stuffed animals that compliment the farm theme.
- Borrow the scarecrow from your "fall" box in the garage and stand it up in front of the cornfield.
- Place a piggy bank on the dresser.
- Relocate the ceramic rooster from the kitchen to the bedroom.
- Hang a real birdhouse from the ceiling.
- Tie bandanas around the necks of your child's stuffed animals.
- Use a tin bucket as a wastebasket.
- Don't forget the ceiling: Why stop with the walls? You can continue your dreamy, cloud-filled sky and paint on the ceiling. Also, our butterflies, bees and birds are not afraid of heights, so why should you be?



Paint on fabric: Use fabric paint to stencil our designs directly onto curtains, rugs, pillowcases, crib bumpers, comforters, lampshades, canvas storage boxes, rugs and more. There is no limit to what or where you can stencil when decorating your baby nursery or child's room with our designs!

- Turn a plain white curtain into a fruitful cornfield.
- Fly a pair of playful crows around a lampshade.
- Paint wispy grass along the length of the crib bumper.
- Stencil our lovable pig onto a solid-colored pillowcase.

Stencil on furniture and accessories: The furniture and accessories in the room can also provide extra surface area to display our designs. Use the stencils to give character to: dressers, nightstands, wastebaskets, wall hooks, step-stools, coat racks, wooden crates, hat boxes, bookends, toy chests, etc. With a minimal amount of work, you can turn that nicked-up nightstand or plain metal bookend into a Friendly Farm showpiece!

Use brightly colored drawer pulls: You can add color and give a face-lift to your child's dresser easily and affordably with colorful drawer pulls. Purchase some basic wooden drawer pulls from your hardware store and paint them with coordinating colors. It's that simple!

STEP 5: SHOW IT OFF!

Congratulations! You did it! Now that the room is complete, it is time to pat yourself on the back and strut your stuff. Here are some ideas to celebrate your success:



- Take pictures and post them so others can see your masterpiece!
- Send us your pictures to be featured in our [Blog](#)!
- Write a [Photo Review](#) so others can benefit from your experience!
- Invite your friends over for an exciting room reveal!



Customer Reviews

Our customers are the best! Since we opened up our wall decor business in 2006, we've been receiving positive testimonials from happy customers who keep coming back to us time and time again. We love hearing from you and seeing picture-proof of how our wall murals have made a positive difference. We are honored for letting us be part of your home!

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Anonymous
5/29/2018
★★★★★
Overall, the stencils are very easy to use. The trees were a little difficult and they took two people to get the stencils on right, but they came out nice. We did the entire room in one day, just two of us. I would definitely recommend these stencils!



Sharon L.
5/24/2018
★★★★★
My daughter used these stencils for her Gold Award project for Girl Scouts. She redid an autistic sensory room for an elementary school. Came out great! See her YouTube video for the project. They are wanting to replicate this in other schools.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0C6A3m7KZo>



Jennifer G.
5/24/2018
★★★★★
I'm so in awe with this vivid fabric decal. Huge kudos to the talented artist, Andreas Preis. I placed it on my desk at work and it transforms my work area. Thank you - such high quality and detail. Thank you!



Jennifer R.
5/18/2018
★★★★★
By following the directions provided, the dinosaurs turned out really nice and didn't bleed like I was worried about. My son loves the dinosaurs on his walls. I was very impressed with the customer service.
[Dinosaur Days Wall Mural Stencil Kit](#)

Customer Spotlight

Forest Friends Themed Teepees Prove Our Stencil Kits Aren't Just For Walls!



Back in March, our friend Connie from [kokoandkoko designs](#) in the UK asked us if she could use our stencils on fabric for a teepee art project she was planning to do with young children. Brilliant idea, right?! Connie has created many different lines of teepees and wigwags for children using a variety of designs and materials. This time she wanted to take the teepees to a new level by encouraging the children to create their own designs using our [forests friends stencil kit](#) hoping to ignite within them the same passion for arts and crafts she harbors within herself! We couldn't wait to see how the teepees turned out! Here's what creative Connie had to say about this fun and rewarding experience:

My Wonderful Walls: How did you find out about My Wonderful Walls?
Connie: I stumbled across My Wonderful Walls while searching for reusable stencils using the Google search engine.

MWW: These teepees are amazing! What gave you the idea and inspiration for such a creative project?
Connie: Having made teepees with applique designs, I thought it was going to be interesting for children to take part in decorating and personalizing their own teepees using permanent fabric markers or paint. This project was aimed to help children develop their creativity and art skills by having fun. I also make plain teepees for doodle art where children can have hand prints, sponge art, and any doodles from their great imaginations.

MATERIALS CHECKLIST

For Stencil Projects

Supplies for painting the background wall color with sky/hills or water/sand

- 2 colors of latex paint (eggshell or satin finish)
- painter's tape, for taping off
- dropcloth
- paint tray
- paint roller

Supplies for stenciling the mural

- stencil kit
- acrylic paints
- 10-20 foam brushes
- 1 pack of foam rollers, works great with large stencil
- 1 fine-tip brush for touch-ups and small details
- chalk, used for sketching hills
- paper plates, used to hold acrylic paints
- paper towels and baby wipes, used for keeping stencils clean
- scissors, used for separating stencils and cutting away any extra plastic
- snacks and music, for keeping up your energy and making it fun



For Decal Projects

- decals
- washcloth, for wiping down the walls before you put up the decals
- snacks and music, just because it's fun :)

CLOSING REMARKS

After reading this guide, we hope you feel **excited** and **prepared** to give your children a colorful and imaginative space where they can live, play, learn and dream. Whether you love design and decorating or feel that you have a artistic bone in your body, **we've got you covered!** Remember our mission: To make you look and feel like an artist, regardless of your artistic ability. Just follow the 5 simple steps we've outlined and you will soon have a wonderful room!

If you need assistance along the way, no problem! **We are here for YOU!**

Call us! We are standing by on the phones 7 days a week ready to answer any questions you have! 423-815-1703 (M-Su 10-6EST)

Email us! Contact us 24/7 via email and we'll take care of you!

