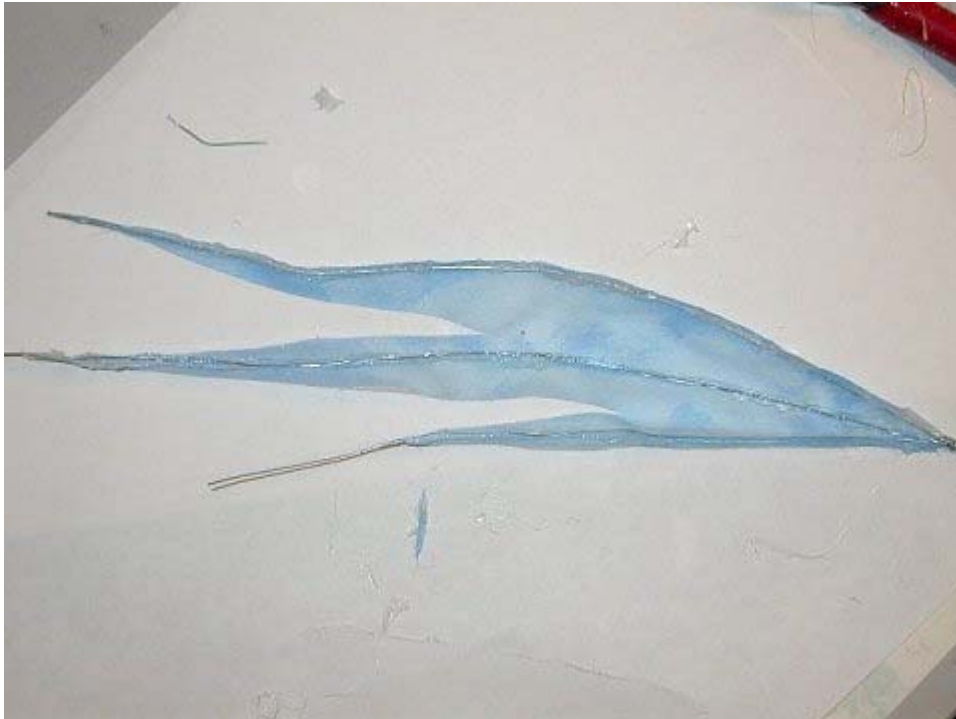
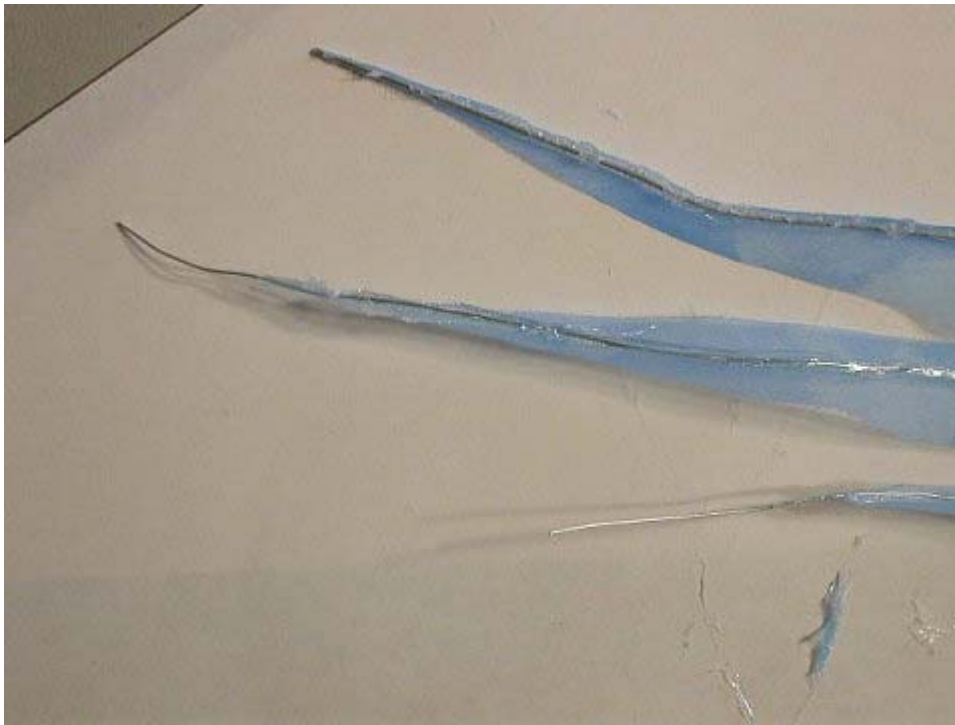


Wing Tutorial - Lesson 2, Steps 7-11

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Step 7 & 8 ~ Now you will find that you have a wing that holds it's own (because of the main wire), but that the lower "tips" in the main wing are droopy. So I used 26 ga. florist wire, and ran a straight line of glue from the base of the wing to the outer tip and glued the wire into place I repeat this for the second "lower" tip. Again, once the glue is cooled, run a straight line of hot glue over the wire. Make sure that you also leave about 2 inches of wire sticking out of every outer tip in the wing. You can always go back and cut them down to size later. It is really important that you leave wire sticking out of the base of each wing section also. You will be wrapping this wire around the main wire to secure each section to the "main" wing.





Step 9 ~ After you have completed wiring each section of wing. I use the 26 ga. wire for all the sections (with the exception of the first main wire). Then they are ready to be veined. It REALLY helps to look at a butterfly book to see how the veins should be formed. To create veins take your hot glue gun (I use a small one), and run a line of glue close to the edge of the top layer, from the base to the tip. From the top line of glue 1/4 from the base, I run a second line of glue back down to the base to create a funny loop. Then from the top of this loop I run about 9 lines of glue all to the different points in each wing section make sure all the veins are connected were they need to be, don't let the glue "gap". This is pretty fun and you can add as many veins as you want, each with their own character (don't make them perfectly straight).



Step 10 & 11 ~ From this point I really enjoy making the wings... it gets funner. => I color wash the wings a second time. Of course you can use any color you want, and as many. => I decided to make the wings green at the base and fade out at the tips. While the wings are still wet, dip the paint brush in the pot of pearl powder. This powder becomes liquid once it touches something wet. I painted the powder over my green, as well as the blue. Remember this is the first time that I tried making wings this way, so I'll get more creative with them as time goes on. => After you dry the wings for the second time spray them with acrylic sealer. Make sure it is a clear, satin finish. Also make sure the area

you spray them in is well ventilated, this stuff is ultra powerful! It rains here a lot and I can't spray outside, so I discovered that if I place a cardboard box on my bathroom floor, open the window, and have the fan going. It works just fine. I hold my breath while I spray the wings, run out and close the door! => (lol) Spray both the front and back of the wings. Before I spray the front of the wings, I sprinkle a little bit of fine glitter over the wing. The sealer, seals it so it'll stay.

