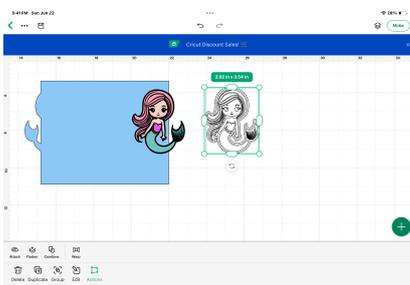# CREATE AN EDGE CARD WITH CRICUT

A STEP BY STEP GUIDE

- GO TO CANVAS OF CRICUT DESIGN SPACE- CHOOSE A SQUARE AND SIZE IT TO 4.2" W x 5.5" L - CHANGE THE COLOR TO LIGHT BLUE (so you can see what you're doing)

- CHOOSE AN IMAGE YOU WANT TO BE ON THE EDGE OF YOUR CARD

- SIZE THE IMAGE TO FIT ON THE RIGHT SIDE EDGE OF YOUR CARD PANEL PLACING MOST OF IT ON THE FRONT PANEL AND TAKING PROBABLY NO MORE THAN AN INCH TO THE OUTSIDE. (The mermaid on this card is sized to about 3.5w x 4"l.)

- SELECT THE ENTIRE IMAGE + RECTANGLE AND SIZE TO 4.25" X 5.5". ADJUST THE INSERTED IMAGE IF NEEDED MAKING SURE THE ENTIRE PANEL IS 4.25 X 5.5. (This is the front panel of the card which is an A2 card. You can always make a 5x7" card or any other size you want)

- DUPLICATE YOUR EDGE ELEMENT "mermaid" AND MOVE TO THE SIDE OF THE CANVAS FOR LATER.

- GROUP THE PANEL- THE RECTANGLE + EDGE ELEMENT

- DUPLICATE THE PANEL AND FLIP IT HORIZONTALLY

- LINE UP THE 2 RECTANGLES TOUCHING SIDE BY SIDE.

- WELD THEM TOGETHER TO FORM THE CARD BASE THAT MEASURES 8.5" X 5.5"

- MOVE YOUR RESERVED EDGE ELEMENT (MERMAID) INTO PLACE ON THE CARD TO MAKE SURE IT FITS SNUG AND PERFECT.

- FOR A PROJECT LIKE THIS ONE, I SUGGEST YOU HAVE YOUR CRICUT "PRINT THEN CUT" THE EDGE ELEMENT OR HAVE IT DRAW YOUR ELEMENT.

IF YOU CHOOSE TO HAVE CRICUT DRAW YOUR EDGE ELEMENT- I SUGGEST YOU CREATE AN OFFSET TO CUT. ATTACH THE PENNED ELEMENT TO THE OFFSET SO THE CRICUT WILL DRAW YOUR DESIGN AND CUT IT OUT FOR YOU. THEN YOU'D COLOR THE EDGE ELEMENT ANY WAY YOU DESIRE. (This, when finished, has the same look as if you used a rubber stamp for the image and then die cut it.)