

EggsActly

The Art & Craft of Pysanky by artist Kent West

Symbol meanings:

Symbols play an important part in communicating a specific message to the receiver. Following are a few of the many examples of symbols that can be imparted.

Rose or 8 pointed star - Rebirth.

Sun - Life, warmth, love of Spirit, eternal existence of Spirit

Dots/Small Circles - Stars, constellations

Sieve/Netting - Separating good from evil

Triangles - Trinities

Ladder - Prayer

Never ending lines or meanders - Eternal life

Flowers - Express the female principles denoting wisdom, elegance and beauty

Pine needles/Periwinkle - Eternal life

Waves - Water, one of the necessities of life for all of Gods creatures.

Rams horns - Strength, leadership, creativity

Diamonds - Knowledge

Color Meanings

Colors play an important part of the process, but, are secondary to the symbols. Here are some of the meanings of the colors most used on Pysanky.

White - Purity, light, rejoicing, virginity

Yellow - Sun, stars, moon, harvest, warmth, perpetuation of family

Gold - Spirituality, wisdom

Orange - Endurance, everlasting sun, ambition

Red - Happiness, hope, passion, blood, fire, ministry of Spirit

Red & White - Respect, protection from evil power

Blue - Sky, air, good health, truth, fidelity

Green - Spring, breaking bondage, hope, freshness, wealth

Pink - Success, contentment

Purple - Royalty, faith, trust, patience, fasting

Brown - Earth, harvest, generosity

Black - Center of the earth, eternity, darkest time before dawn, absolute

Black & White - Mourning, respect to spirits

4 or more colors - Family happiness, peace & love