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## Making Photogravures with Polymer Plates: A Modern Technique of Historical Photo-Mechanical Printing Using Steel-Backed Polymer Plates, Etched with Wa

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