

Hi everyone

Spring is here & whilst some of us are not looking forward to allergies & hay fever, it will certainly be nice to see more sunshine.

Chris is gradually easing back into teaching, but still not back to fulltime work. Thanks for your well wishes, card & gifts - they are certainly aiding her recovery. In the meantime, you can all enjoy some great classes from our awesome teachers Jenn, Meagan, Tamara & Vanessa - alphabetical order not order of brilliance ♥

What's new:-

- In early August we received these fabulous new paper ranges from Mintay including this lovely new Christmas collection called "Merry little Christmas" featuring traditional Christmas themes with a touch of pink & pale blue. We chose the rustic "Grandma's Attic" & "Blissful time" for our non-Christmas ranges this time. We have 6x6 paper pads, die cut packs, 12x12 paper packs & some 12x12 individual papers in all three collections.



- We have some great new Paper Rose products including their foiled Christmas sentiments. The picture below shows the three packs of gold, rose gold & silver. Below them is a peek of the individual sentiment sheets in gold. They are the same style for each colour with plenty of different sized Christmas greetings. Rose gold has already sold out, but we have more on the way. Also new from Paper Rose is the gorgeous new "Nature Stroll - festive". This is a lovely, Aussie, festive collection featuring waratahs, bottle brushes, flowering gums & poinsettias along with beautifully illustrated Australian animals. We've also added some great new dies from Paper Rose with a new font "Tall script" in Happy birthday, Merry Christmas & Season's greetings, two sizes of lovely bows & some great new Christmas Scandi ornaments.



- Sizzix have released more fabulous 3D texture fades embossing folders. These are thicker than usual embossing folders as they emboss at different depths to give a more dimension. We have added Acorns, Industrious & Numbered to our growing collection & they are pictured below



- For those of us who like to add some pets to our Christmas cards we have a great new range from Photoplay called Santa Paws. Fabulously festive 12x12 double-sided pages are pictured above along with matching die cuts - all featuring cats & dogs. We also have both cat & dog stamp sets as pictured as well as matching die sets - not pictured.
- More Christmas collections will be coming soon including a fabulous "Gnome for Christmas" range from Echo Park.

Classes

Card making

Many of our card-making classes have a Christmas flavour this month to help you to get a head start on your cards for the festive season. They include a selection of classes using techniques, patterned papers with matching embellishments & some classes with a combination of both. All cards are on display at the shop & availability is listed below.

Vanessa has created some wonderful Christmas cards using the new Mintay "Merry little Christmas" range. These 4 cards combine poinsettias, reindeer & gingerbread men in a fun, festive way.

Tamara has combined some of her favourite techniques to create some fabulous new Christmas cards. She uses festive dies, stamps, pixie powders, stencils, foil & demonstrates a great new style called black ice. These are quick & easy cards that still have "wow factor" & can easily be produced in multiples.

Chris has not been teaching a lot this year, but she will be running a few classes in September. In July she designed a set of 5 Christmas cards using Mintay "Time of Wonders" & another set of 10 cards using their "Merry & Bright" collection. Both classes use paper from the 6x6 paper pads as we waited on the new 2022 releases. Chris is also teaching a fun set of 10 Spring gnomes cards that don't have a Christmas theme. There are some classes with availability below.

Jenn is taking a well-earned break for the month of September. We look forward to her returning in October.

Most of our card-making classes for September are fully booked, but dates with availability are listed below:-

- Tuesday 6th September - 10am - 1pm - 4 Merry little Christmas cards with Vanessa \$28
- Friday 9th September - 10am-2pm - 5 Time of Wonders Christmas cards with Chris \$32
- Saturday 10th September - 11am - 2pm - 3 **NEW** Christmas cards with Tamara \$28
- Tuesday 13th September - 10am-2pm - 5 Time of Wonders Christmas cards with Chris \$32
- Thursday 15th September - 10am - 1pm - 3 foundry wax technique cards with Tamara \$28
- Saturday 17th September - 10am - 4pm - 10 Spring Gnomes cards with Chris \$60
- Thursday 22nd September - 10am - 1pm - 4 Merry little Christmas cards with Vanessa \$28
- Thursday 29th September 10am - 4pm - 10 Merry & Bright Christmas cards with Chris \$60
- Thursday 6th October - 11am - 2pm - 3 **NEW** Christmas cards with Tamara \$28

Scrap booking

Vanessa has two fabulous, new scrapbook layouts for September & she is also teaching an extra class creating her pretty dream catcher layouts. Her Mintay "Grandma's attic" layouts feature ribbon, lace & beautiful vintage embellishments on a teal & kraft background. These layouts are perfect for sepia or older photos, but equally lovely with newer photos on contrasting photo mats. "Merry Little Christmas" is a typically gorgeous Mintay collection featuring traditional Christmas elements with a splash of pink & pale blue. Vanessa has created a lovely double layout to suit any of your favourite Christmas snaps.

Meagan is teaching another wonderful art journal class with a twist for scrapbookers. In this underwater themed class Meagan uses a lovely selection of Lavinia stamps including mermaids, seaweed, fish & sea urchins to create a double 12x12 layout. You will learn to make your own collage tissue paper using a gelli plate, paints, stencils & stamping techniques & will have a gorgeous background for some photos. Available dates for of these scrapbooking classes are:-

- Wednesday 14th Sept. 10am-1pm - Dream Catcher scrapbook layouts with Vanessa \$28
- Tuesday 27th September - 10am - 1pm - Merry Little Christmas layouts with Vanessa \$28
- Friday 30th September - 10am-1pm - Lavinia Underwater themed layouts with Meagan \$28
- Saturday 1st October - 10am - 1pm - Grandma's attic layouts with Vanessa \$28

Art Journaling with Meagan

In Meagan's newest art journaling class "All things are possible" she demonstrates how to integrate printed paper napkins into your art journal pages with gesso, paint, stamps, texture paste & distress crayons. The napkins used in this class feature a floral design with birds.

We still have one place in Meagan's "Open your mind" page. This features a Julie Nutting paper doll stamp on a gorgeous sparkly textured background. You will be using some fabulous Darkroom door background stamps & stencils, texture paste, paints & Lavinia mica spray amongst other things!

Dates with availability are : -

- Friday 23rd September 10am - 1pm - "Open your mind" art journal with Meagan \$30
- Saturday 24th Sept. 10am-1pm - "All things are possible" art journal with Meagan \$30

If there are any classes you'd like the sound of & the dates don't suit, contact us & we'll arrange alternatives for you. All our wonderful teachers have many class projects on display at the shop that are not listed this month. If there is a class you have missed, let us know & we will put your name on a list & organise a date for you with other students.

With the crazy wet weather, we've been having lately the back carpark has been resembling a swimming pool. Just reminder if the gates are closed you are welcome to park in the driveway to keep off the street. Hopefully we'll have some dry weather soon

Keep smiling ❤️



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