

Hi everyone,

It's been a ridiculously busy & exhausting month for us, but we are very happy to have settled into our new shop. So much work went into the move & it's fabulous to see many of you visiting in our first few weeks. We have done a bit of tweaking with lighting & stands & have been enjoying classes this week in our new classroom. We have also been working on displaying our class projects & providing ideas & inspiration on the small amount of vacant wall space we have left! It will all be a work-in-progress over the next couple of months, but overall we've had some great feedback.

During our move, we have discovered boxes of stock we didn't know we had & many that have been discontinued. As a result, we are going to have a big clearance sale over the Australia day weekend. **Our tables will be covered with boxes of bargains from Friday 26th January - Tuesday 30th** & there will be no classes running during shop hours. We will have stencils, buttons, chipboard embellishments, sprays, stamps, dies, storage containers, 'project life' style pages & inserts & plenty more at crazy prices. We will also have all Couture Creations pearls & bling packs for \$3 & almost all Pion design papers are \$1-20 per sheet. We have plenty of gorgeous ribbon for 20 cents per metre as we don't have as much room to store it. There will be no discounts on non-clearance stock during this sale.

What's new:-

We have so much stock coming in the next week including the new Distress Colour 'Scorched timber", new ranger daubers, distress mini-ink 4 packs & more. Unfortunately, our shipment has been delayed due to blizzards in the USA, but it is on the way. We will take photos of our new stock when it arrives & they will feature in our February newsletter.

Lavinia are also about to release another range of stamps. We expect these to be here mid to late February & should have some photos in our February newsletter.

Classes

We teach classes 7 days a week & due to some rearranging our 2024 timetable have some regular free days. If you are considering joining a class or perhaps getting a group of friends together for a regular crafty fix, we have 4 days currently available on a monthly basis. We need to have a minimum of 4 students for a class to go ahead. Classes include card-making, scrapbooking & art-journaling. We have projects on display & also have albums of past projects for you to choose from. For these spare days you can choose your teacher as well as your project:-

- 1st Thursday of the month
- 4th Friday of the month
- 2nd Sunday of the month
- 3rd Sunday of the month

We also have some regular spots to join existing classes:-

- 1st Tuesday of the month card-making with Vanessa 10am - 1pm
- 2nd Saturday of the month card-making with Tamara 11am - 2pm
- 3rd Thursday of the month card-making with Tamara 10am - 1pm
- 3rd Wednesday of the month card-making with Chris 9-30am - 12-30pm
- 3rd Wednesday of the month scrap-booking with Vanessa 10am - 1pm

If you are not able to commit to a regular class, we will continue to advertise classes with random availability in every newsletter. These are dates with places during February so far:-

- Saturday 3rd February - 11am-2pm - 4 'travel journal' beachy cards with Vanessa \$28
- Tuesday 6th February - 10am-1pm - 4 'travel journal' beachy cards with Vanessa \$28
- Saturday 10th February - 11am - 2pm - NEW 'Colorglow' technique cards with Tamara \$28
- Thursday 15th February - 10am - 1pm - NEW 'Colorglow' technique cards with Tamara \$28
- Saturday 17th February - 11am - 2pm - Part 1 'Secret garden' cards with Chris \$32 (part 2 - 16/3)
- Thursday 22nd February 10am - 1pm - 4 'Carmen' cards with Vanessa \$28

We are still making plans & creating projects for some February classes so there will be more dates & class details next week in our February news.

Vanessa has created some lovely, summery cards using the 13@rts 'Travel journal' range. This set of 4 cards includes a shaker, easel & fabulous beach card using tearing techniques.

She has also made a gorgeous, bright set of 4 cards using the 13@rts 'Carmen' range featuring hot pink & green flamenco dancers, florals, fans & guitars. These cards feature 4 different shaped cards with lots of dimensional embellishments.

Tamara is designing a set of cards using 13@rts Colorglow pigment powders so keep an eye out for those next week.

Chris continues teaching her gift bag of cards using the beautiful 13@rts 'secret garden' 6x6 inch paper pad. In this class we decorate a bag & fill it with 9 cards & envelopes. Some of the techniques include resist stencilling, stamp masking & heat embossing on vellum. We also create a 3-window shaker card, easel card & a new bay window card design. All to fit beautifully in a decorated bag. This makes the perfect gift for one of your "A list" friends.

As mentioned above, we will be open on Australia day - **Friday the 26th January at our regular time from 1pm - 5pm.** Our clearance sale begins then & runs until Tuesday 30th January at 3pm.

Keep smiling



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