

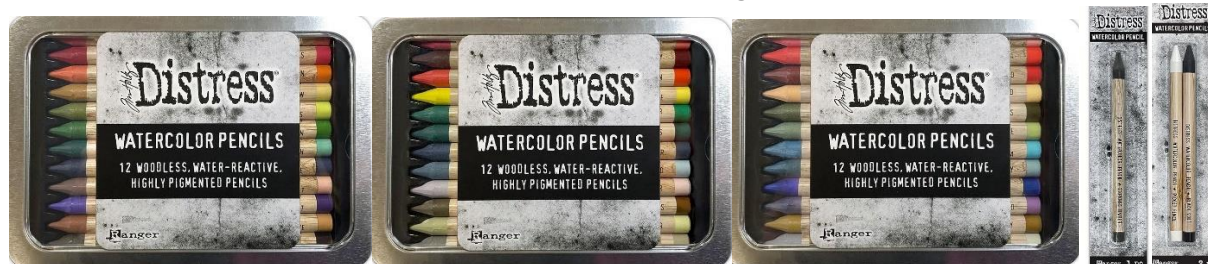
Hi everyone,

Greetings from sunny Mildura! Chris is enjoying a long-overdue break from duties at the shop. Many thanks to Tamara, Vanessa, Meagan & Jenn for holding the fort in her absence.

We have so much amazing new stock to tell you about & despite our spacious new premises, we're struggling to find space!! You may need to enlarge your newsletter to see our new items in detail. There is sure to be something for everyone this month.

**What's new:-**

- Our Tim Holz Watercolour pencils sets have arrived. The 3 new tins of 12 complete the 72 current distress colours. Unfortunately, there are 73 pencils in the set because white is not one of the 72 colours. As a result, the new Scorched timber pencil is the only colour sold individually. They have also released a pack with black & white as these are generally used most when shading. We have all of these in stock as well as our own colour chart showing all colours on black & white.



- We have just received the gorgeous new Winnie the pooh range from Echo park. We have 12x12 paper packs, 6x6 paper pads, ephemera packs & 2 lovely stamp sets as pictured below. We have 3 12x12 individual papers & have more on the way next week. It is a beautiful collection & brings back many happy memories of Pooh & friends.



- Our new release Lavinia stamps & stencils order arrived a couple of weeks ago & we have just received a top-up order. Unfortunately, they sold out of their very popular sticker stencil sets so they will be coming with our next order in a week or so. Meagan has created an amazing art journal page using the new stencils & stamps & we will have further projects next month.



- 'Grow with love' is a beautiful new range from Graphic 45 featuring pastel florals & garden themes. We have stock of 12x12 paper packs 8x8 paper pads, ephemera packs & some 12x12 individual sheets pictured above.

- We have not been stocking Mintay's new ranges lately as their prices have gone through the roof!!! The designs we had to have are 'spring is here', 'the great outdoors' & 'happy birthday' & have gorgeous projects in mind for all of these in the coming months. We have only chosen to stock 6x6 inch paper pads, ephemera sets & the fussy cut sheets due to the price increase.



- Our Mini dauber foam replacements for the great new Tim Holtz tool will finally be here next week. If you have the tool & want a pack of replacement foams, let us know & we shall put some aside for you.
- For those of you with friends or family celebrating St Patricks day in a couple of weeks we have a fabulous 12x12 sheet of paper just for you from Echo Park. It's perfect for cards or scrapbooking this happy occasion

## Classes

### Art Journaling

**Meagan** is running some extra classes this month so there is a rare opportunity to do some art journaling with her. Both classes are creating her gorgeous 'You're Roarsome' page using the Pink ink designs Lion stamp set. You will learn layering techniques with patterned papers, gesso, distress crayons & stencils.

- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 11am - 2pm cost \$30
- Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 10am - 1pm cost \$30

### Card-making

#### Vanessa

Vanessa has 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.

She is also teaching her 4 card set using the 13@rts 'Victoriana' range this month. These papers have a black & deep red floral, steam punk look. Vanessa's amazing cards include roses, clocks & cogs & a hint of rose gold & are on display at the shop

Keep an eye out for Vanessa's new cards using the Mintay 'Happy birthday' range. These fabulous papers feature pink & deep blue birthday images including presents, cakes, balloons, champagne & flowers. Her cards will be on display soon.

**Tamara** has been playing with 13@rts Colorglow pigment powders & is loving the colourful sparkly effects they produce. In this class you will create 3 cards learning different ways to use these brilliant colours showcasing some Woodware & Darkroom door stamps. You will also learn some new fancy folds to add interest & fun to your designs.

**Chris** continues teaching her gift bag of cards using the beautiful 13@rts 'secret garden' 6x6 inch paper pad this month. 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.

Chris has also been creating cards using our new collections 'The Great Outdoors', 'Alice in wonderland', 'Winnie the pooh' & the gorgeous Craft Consortium ink drops. These will be on display throughout the month of March & dates will be in the April newsletter.



These are card-making dates with availability during March/April :-

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 10am - 1pm - 4 'Carmen' cards with Vanessa \$28
- Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> March 9-30am-12-30pm - Part 1 - 5 Secret Garden cards with Chris \$32 (part 2 - 4/4)
- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 11am - 2pm - NEW 'Colorglow' technique cards with Tamara \$28
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 10am - 1pm - 3 Distress crayon technique cards with Chris \$28
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 9-30am - 12-30pm - Part 1 - 5 Great outdoors cards with Chris (part 2 - 23/4)
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 10am - 1pm - 4 Mintay 'happy birthday' cards with Vanessa \$28
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 10am - 1pm - 4 'Victoriana' cards with Vanessa \$28

There will be plenty more dates for our new classes in our April news, but you can certainly let us know of dates that work for you & we will fit you in somewhere.

### Scrap-booking

**Vanessa** is creating some wonderful new layouts with a birthday theme using the lovely Mintay 'Happy birthday' paper range described above. These will be on display later in the month prior to her class on

- **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - 10am - 1pm cost \$28**

During our massive move & clean-up we had a huge amount of clothes, curtains, manchester & things that were not in good enough condition to donate to charity. After a bit of research, we learned that these items didn't need to go in the rubbish. 'H & M' is a Swedish clothing store that accepts donations of all textile material for recycling no matter what the condition. Their closest store to us is at Eastland & they gratefully received 4 big garbage bags of stuff not suitable for the op shop & also offered a discount voucher to their store for my donation. Keep this in mind if you're having a cleanup yourself.

On a really sad note, we have just learned that Darkroom door will be closing down in May. Since Rachael's passing in August last year her husband Stewart has been running the business & continuing to make the stamps. Understandably he has now decided it's not the same without Rachael's "creative spark" & will be finishing up soon. We will place a final order shortly to stock up on our favourite amazing DRD products, but when they are gone there will sadly be no more.

The shop will be open on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March Labour Day public holiday for our usual times from 11am -3pm. We will be closed over the Easter break from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April & will reopen on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 11am. Wishing you a safe & happy Easter break & hope you are lucky enough to get some time off.

Keep smiling



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