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creating interactive designs

Summertime is the perfect season to get active, so why not bring that same fun into your designs? Looking at interactive scrapbook pages and receiving cards that move, flip, shake, and slide make paper crafting so much fun. Not only will you enjoy the process, others will be able to get in on the action, too.

BY SUSAN R. OPEL

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layout no. 1

INTERACTIVE TIP

make a slider

It's likely you'll spend time at the pool, lake, or beach this summer watching your kids play. Accent a page about their water fun with fish that glide through the water on a squiggly track! All you need is a track die, a few pennies, and foam dots to create this interactive element

go with the flow

BY STACY COHEN

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; GLITTER PAPER: DCWV; PATTERNED PAPER, DIE CUT SHAPES, STICKERS, WASHI TAPE, FLAGS: American Crafts; LETTER STICKERS: American Crafts, Maya Road; GEMS: Queen & Co.; FLOWERS: Prima Marketing; DIE: We R Memory Keepers; PEN: American Crafts; ADHESIVE: Beacon, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Tombow; OTHER: Lace, doily, downloadable fish

INTERACTIVE SLIDER HOW-TO

Make your little fishies move like the ones in this energetic design in three basic steps.



1 Die cut track from glitter paper.



2 Create a penny sandwich with two pennies and a foam dot.



3 Adhere fish to penny and insert in track.

NOTE: The fish in this layout are from a downloadable colouring page Stacy found at <http://biblekidsfunzone.com/color/fishtropical2.html>. She printed the page, coloured the fish with coloured pencils, and then cut them out to use on her layout.



layout no. 2

INTERACTIVE TIP

create a pocket

When it comes to birthdays, there are tons of photos to include, but you don't always want to take up two pages to document everything. With this easy little fold out book, you can include those extra photos (and more details about the day) while keeping your design compact and approachable.



birthday no. 9

BY KELLY GOREE

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER, STICKERS, LETTER STICKERS: Photo Play Paper; INK: Colorbox; TAGS: BasicGrey; BUTTONS: Fancy Pants Design, Jilibean Soup; TWINE: Queen & Co.; PUNCHES: Fiskars; ADHESIVE: Therm O Web



miss you big time

BY KIMBERLY CRAWFORD

supplies CARDSTOCK, PATTERNED PAPER, INK: My Favorite Things; STAMPS: Paper Smooches; DIES: My Favorite Things, Paper Smooches; ENAMEL DOTS: Carta Bella; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesive by 3L

card no. 1

INTERACTIVE TIP

create a hidden sentiment

You'll have a whale of a time with this one! Create a fun scene on the card front and include a tab on the side that pulls out to reveal the sentiment. Push it back in, and the scene steals the show!

layout no. 3

INTERACTIVE TIP

create a shaker element

Shake it up with a shaker element that sparkles and shines! Nicole's title has maximum impact with a circular shaker in place of the letter O. For more cool ideas like this for replacing letters in your titles, be sure to check out the *Around the Page* column on page 37.

lol

BY NICOLE NOWOSAD

supplies CARDSTOCK: American Crafts; PATTERNED PAPER, STICKERS, ENAMEL SHAPES: Simple Stories; SEQUINS: Doodlebug Design; OTHER: Roller stamp, ink, transparency, dies

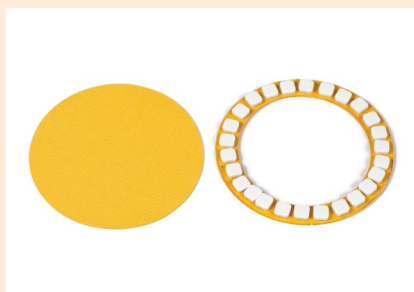


SHAKER ELEMENT HOW-TO

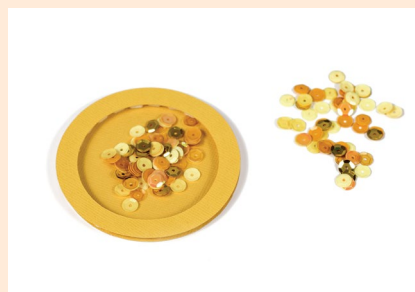
Try your hand at making a shaker element on your next layout or card by following these steps:



1 Die cut circle and frame from cardstock.



2 Adhere transparency to frame and add dimensional adhesive around exterior to create pocket. Add sequins.



3 Remove backing from adhesive and adhere cardstock circle to close pocket.



Want to make your card designs POP? Check out the following companies for more pop-up inspiration!

- Elizabeth Craft Designs
- Lawn Fawn
- Stampendous
- Sizzix
- We R Memory Keepers
- Your Next Stamp

card no. 2

INTERACTIVE TIP

create a pop-up card

Usually it's the front of the card that gets all of the attention, but don't forget how fun it is to find a surprise inside! With the use of special pop-up dies, Kimberly created this party in card form reminiscent of those pop-up books we loved as kids.

round of applause

BY KIMBERLY CRAWFORD

supplies CARDSTOCK, DIES, STENCIL, INK: My Favorite Things; STAMPS: CAS-ual Fridays; ENAMEL DOTS: My Mind's Eye; BLENDER TOOL: Ranger Industries; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesive by 3L



FRONT OF CARD



layout no. 4

INTERACTIVE TIP

create flip-up journaling

Sometimes there's more to the story than a two-page spread can accommodate, so create flip-up journaling beneath a photo or other design element on your page. Be sure to include a tab that says "lift here" Alice in Wonderland-style.

dream big

BY SHERI REGULY

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics, My Mind's Eye; PATTERNED PAPER, ENAMEL DOTS: Echo Park Paper; DIES: Simon Says Stamp, Papertrey Ink; STICKERS: Echo Park Paper, Simple Stories; WOODEN BUTTONS: American Crafts; GLITTER: Ranger Industries; FONTS: Jenna Sue, Print Clearly; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives, Xyron



DESIGN TIP: Leave white space

behind the tab to draw attention to the interactive element.