

# creative cards

Where card makers come to share what's hot in the world of stamping, die cutting, and handmade kindness!

**We love the bright cheerful colours of summer** and what better way to make those saturated hues SHINE than to splash them on neutral black and white? Black and white paired together has been making a statement in fashion in various iterations, and we loved the idea of seeing how card makers would interpret the trend.



## sending big hugs

BY LATISHA YOAST

**supplies** CARDSTOCK: American Crafts, Hero Arts, Lawn Fawn;  
STAMPS: Hero Arts; INK: Concord & 9th; DIE: Lawn Fawn;  
ENAMEL DOTS: Taylored Expressions; ADHESIVES: Scrapbook  
Adhesives by 3L, Scrapbook.com

### OUR FOCUS:

#### BLACK AND WHITE WITH A POP OF COLOUR

There are so many ways this focus on colour can be interpreted, and that's what makes it so fun! We asked five talented designers to go with this basic theme, and we're pretty sure that you will love the results. Let's take a look at what they've come up with and prepare to be inspired.

### JUST ADD ONE COLOUR

#### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock. Trim teal panel and adhere to card front.
- 2 Trim white cardstock panel and adhere to teal panel with foam tape.
- 3 Stamp background on white cardstock with teal ink.
- 4 Die cut sentiment from stamped panel and teal cardstock; offset and adhere to each other and adhere to panel with foam tape.
- 5 Affix enamel dots.

#### DESIGN TIPS:

- **Focus on one colour and repeat it** in stamping, a coordinating shadow, and a mat for the main panel.
- **Create a quick shadow for a word die cut** by cutting twice and offsetting.

## DRAW THE EYE



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Trim panel from white cardstock.
- 3 Die cut cover plate from white cardstock, trim, and attach to panel.
- 4 Adhere ribbon to panel; mat panel with black cardstock.
- 5 Stamp image on white cardstock with black ink, colour, and die cut; adhere with foam tape.
- 6 Die cut sentiment from black cardstock and adhere.
- 7 Affix sequins and add dimensional glaze to flowers.

### DESIGN TIP:

- **The chic and pretty black and white of this design** draw the eye to the tulips which in turn draws the eye to the sentiment and the lovely, layered background. Simple and really effective use of colour!

## thanks

BY JESSICA MCAFEE

**supplies** CARDSTOCK: Simon Says Stamp, Spectrum Noir; STAMPS: Your Next Stamp; INK: Tsukineko; MARKERS: Spectrum Noir; SEQUINS: Picket Fence Studios; DIES: Heffy Doodle, Hero Arts; DIMENSIONAL GLAZE: Ranger Industries; ADHESIVE: Lawn Fawn, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L; OTHER: Ribbon

## COLOUR FOCUS



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Die cut panel from patterned paper and adhere ribbon to panel; adhere panel to card.
- 3 Die cut rounded rectangle from white cardstock, stamp waves with black ink, die cut, and adhere panel to card.
- 4 Stamp images on cardstock with black ink, colour spotlight images, and die cut; adhere images behind waves.
- 5 Stamp and emboss sentiment, trim into strip and adhere to panel; affix sequins.

### DESIGN TIPS:

- **Black and white designs make things simple!** Simply colour two images, and you are good to go.
- **Add embellishments** to further your colour focus.

## believe in you

BY JESSICA MCAFEE

**supplies** CARDSTOCK: Simon Says Stamp, Spectrum Noir; PATTERNED PAPER: Echo Park Paper; STAMPS, DIES: Heffy Doodle; INK: Tsukineko; MARKERS: Spectrum Noir; SEQUINS: Picket Fence Studios; ADHESIVE, EMBOSsing POWDER: Lawn Fawn; OTHER: Ribbon

## INK BLEND FOCUS



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Die cut panel from white cardstock.
- 3 Create mask with masking paper and rectangle die and adhere to panel. Blend ink through mask.
- 4 Stamp image and sentiment with black ink.
- 5 Mat panel with black and adhere to card base.
- 6 Affix gems.

### DESIGN TIPS:

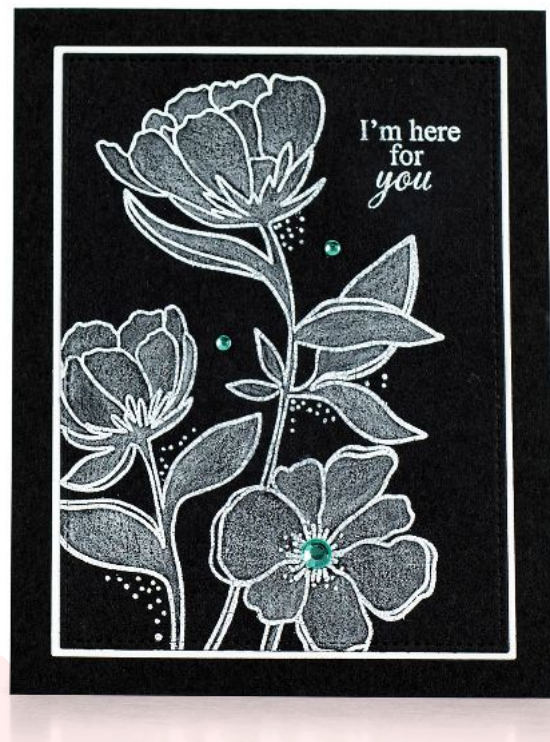
- **Silhouette stamps look GORGEOUS** in black on an ink blended background.
- **If you find ink blending too challenging**, try a muted patterned paper in place of Gina's masked and blended rectangle.

## tomorrow is a new day

BY GINA KRUPSKY FOR GINA K. DESIGNS

**supplies** CARDSTOCK, STAMPS, DIES, INK: Gina K. Designs; GEMS: Hero Arts; ADHESIVE, MASKING PAPER: Therm O Web

## JUST GEMS



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Trim black cardstock panel. Stamp and emboss image and sentiment.
- 3 Lightly shade flower with white pencil.
- 4 Mat panel with white cardstock and adhere to card base.
- 5 Affix gems.

### DESIGN TIPS:

- **Stay light-handed with your pencil colouring** to create contrast from the embossing powder colour.
- **Add your pop of colour sparingly** for high drama!

## i'm here for you

BY GINA KRUPSKY FOR GINA K. DESIGNS

**supplies** CARDSTOCK, STAMPS, DIES, EMBOSSING POWDER, INK: Gina K. Designs; GEMS: Hero Arts; ADHESIVE: Therm O Web; OTHER: Coloured pencil



## SPOTLIGHT FLORAL



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Die cut cover plate from black cardstock; adhere to card front with spray adhesive.
- 3 Stamp image with black ink on white cardstock; blend inks through coordinating stencil.
- 4 Die cut image and adhere with foam tape.
- 5 Stamp sentiment on white cardstock with black ink. Die cut and adhere.
- 6 Affix sequins.

### DESIGN TIPS:

- **Who says you have to colour ALL of the flowers?**  
Just colour a few for a pretty and eye-catching result.
- **Use spray adhesive** to adhere intricate die cuts like the black background.

## happy birthday

BY SIDNIE DES JARDINS

**supplies** CARDSTOCK: Neenah, Simon Says Stamp; STAMPS, STENCIL: Pinkfresh Studio; INK: Ranger Industries, Simon Says Stamp; SEQUINS: Simon Says Stamp; DIES: Honey Bee Stamps, Pinkfresh Studio; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Therm O Web

## BOLD BLOOMS



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Trim white cardstock panel. Stencil dots all over with black ink and adhere to card front.
- 3 Die cut black cardstock panel and adhere to stenciled panel with foam tape.
- 4 Die cut floral pieces from red and white cardstock two times each.
- 5 Adhere leaves; adhere flower pieces together and adhere to card front with foam tape.
- 6 Stamp sentiment on white cardstock with black ink and adhere to center with foam tape.
- 7 Affix sequins.

### DESIGN TIPS:

- **Bold blooms in red** are the star of the show on Sidnie's design.
- **Think outside the box** with your colour choices. Leaves don't have to be green!

## ever so grateful

BY SIDNIE DES JARDINS

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## TONE-ON-TONE BACKGROUND



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Die cut white cardstock panel.
- 3 Die cut leaves from white cardstock, adhere most to panel, and ink blend remaining leaves.
- 4 Die cut leaves from black cardstock; stamp and emboss sentiment on one.
- 5 Adhere coloured leaves and black leaves to each other as shown and adhere to panel.
- 6 Die cut flip flops from white, black, and glitter cardstock. Blend sole of flip flop with various inks.
- 7 Adhere panel to card base and accent design with sequins.

### DESIGN TIPS:

- **Layer white die cuts on a white panel** to create a unique background with depth to show off the colour!
- **Use cardstock scraps from your stash** in place of ink blending white die cuts.

## hello summer

BY DILAY NACAR

**supplies** CARDSTOCK: Hero Arts, Neenah; GLITTER CARDSTOCK: The Stamp Market; STAMPS, DIES: Honey Bee Stamps; INK: Ranger Industries; EMBOSSING POWDER: WOW!; SEQUINS: Studio Katia; ADHESIVE: Gina K. Designs, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

## SENTIMENT POP



### STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Make card from cardstock.
- 2 Die cut white cardstock panel and die cut design from center.
- 3 Die cut sunburst design from black cardstock and inlay into white sunburst.
- 4 Die cut leaves and flowers from white cardstock and ink blend with various colours; adhere to panel.
- 5 Die cut *summer* from black cardstock and shadow from white cardstock. Blend ink on shadow and adhere to *summer*.
- 6 Stamp and emboss *vibes* and trim. Adhere sentiment and sub-sentiment to panel.
- 7 Adhere panel to card base and accent design with sequins.

### DESIGN TIP:

- **Use black and white for inlaid die cutting** to set the tone for a powerful design.

## summer vibes

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