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card 1

WITH LOVE, DILAY

Send some handmade love in the mail.

It's entirely possible that your first handmade card was a Valentine. Recapture that joy of sharing love by sending cards. You don't even have to confine this feeling to February! Make a resolution to send a few handmade cards each month.

love you

BY DILAY NACAR

supplies CARDSTOCK: Concord & 9th; SEQUINS: Honey Bee Stamps; DIES, EMBOSSING FOLDER: Altenew; ADHESIVE: Gina K. Designs, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

love is in the air

Can you feel it? Love is in the air, and if there's one thing we like to celebrate, it's LOVE. Get ready for an article filled with fantastic, papercrafted ideas to give, to commemorate, to remember, to share, and to decorate a love-filled life. Our talented designers are ready to help you spread the love. BY SUSAN R. OPEL

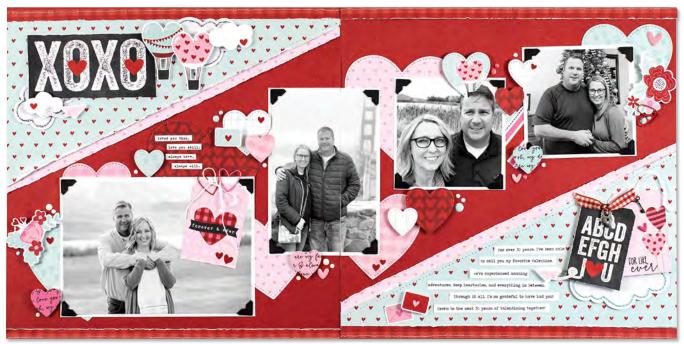
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layout 1





WITH LOVE, WENDY SUE

Commemorate your love of 30+ years on a layout. Wendy Sue had fun creating this layout with photos that span multiple years. The photos on this spread are focused on a relationship rather than a single event. Printing your photos in black and white makes them look more cohesive as the colours would have been distracting. We love all the sweet pink and red in this lovey-dovey layout!

XOXO

BY WENDY SUE ANDERSON

supplies CARDSTOCK: Carta Bella Paper; PATTERNED PAPER, DIES, ENAMEL DOTS, EPHEMERA: Echo Park Paper; STICKERS: Echo Park Paper, Pebbles, Inc.; CLIPS: Doodlebug Design; PHOTO CORNERS: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L; TRIM: DMC, May Arts; PUNCHES: Fiskars, We R Makers; FONT: Traveling Typewriter; GLITTER GLUE: Ranger; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Scrapbook.com; OTHER: Charms



project 1

WITH LOVE, VICTORIA

Let your love shine with handmade home décor.

Once the dreary winter days arrive, cheerful home décor will give you a reason to smile—especially when you've created it with your own hands! Victoria used a collection from Carta Bella Paper to create this pretty framed piece. It could adorn your craft space or be placed on a shelf, table, or mantel to celebrate love.

love you frame

BY VICTORIA CALVIN

supplies PATTERNED PAPER, EPHEMERA: Carta Bella Paper; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Scrapbook.com; OTHER: Frame

project 2







WITH LOVE, LATISHA

Throw a party to celebrate love. As a military wife, Latisha knows a thing or two about throwing a party! Her sweet party ensemble would be super cute for a girls' night celebrating Galentine's Day. Spoil your guests with cupcakes replete with custom toppers all tied up in a polka-dotted bow, party favours, handmade greetings, and treat bags. Each party guest will be charmed and delighted by the attention to detail and the care put into each project. Is it a little extra? Maybe! But how cute, right?

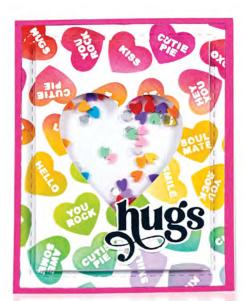
DESIGN TIP: Train yourself to look past holiday products to imagine all the possibilities. Latisha's party ensemble (believe it or not!) was created with a Christmas collection, but I'd wager a guess that had I not just told you that, you'd be none the wiser!

valentine ensemble

BY LATISHA YOAST

supplies CARDSTOCK, PATTERNED PAPER, STICKERS: Carta Bella Paper; DIES: Lawn Fawn, Spellbinders; RIBBON: Papertrey Ink; ADHESIVE: Lawn Fawn, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

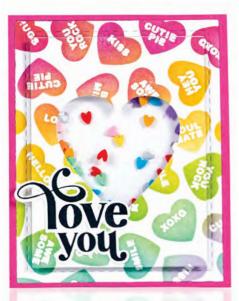
cards 2 & 3



mini valentines

BY MEGHANN ANDREW

supplies CARDSTOCK: Concord & 9th, Scrapbook & Cards Today; STAMPS, STENCILS: Taylored Expressions; INK: Concord & 9th, Gina K. Designs; EMBOSSING POWDER: Ranger; HEART CONFETTI: Gina K. Designs; SEQUINS: Scrapbook & Cards Today; DIES: Scrapbook & Cards Today, The Stamp Market; Taylored Expressions; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Scrapbook.com





Check out Meghann's video to learn more about how she created these sweet mini valentines. Watch here: bit.ly/WI23Meghann

WITH LOVE, MEGHANN Make little moments special and filled with love. These mini valentines are great to send to school in a lunch box or to put into a small treat bag! Instead of a typical red and pink colour scheme, Meghann added a rainbow for more fun and playfulness. This colour scheme worked perfectly with the hearts she chose as her shaker filler.

DESIGN TIP: Mass produce these cuties and put a few in your purse to hand out to people you encounter. Another great way to spread the love!

layout 2

WITH LOVE, JESS

Share what you love about one of your kids

(or siblings or pets or parents or spouse). Jess's sweet pocket page features three cute photos of her 11-year-old daughter on Valentine's Day 2023. We love how for her journaling, Jess used a letter format to chronicle what Rowan was loving at the time. And all things 80s? Same girl, SAME.

DESIGN TIP: Not only did Jess share the date and

age of Rowan on her layout, I love that she shared the street name in the location. That will be such a treasure to note in the future!

rowan at 11 years old

BY JESS FORSTER

supplies PATTERNED PAPER, BRADS, EPHEMERA: Simple Stories; PAGE PROTECTOR: Becky Higgins; FUSE TOOL: We R Makers; FONT: Georgia Italic; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L



project 3



WITH LOVE, BECKI

Dedicate a mini album to the one you

love. Becki loves a good mini album, and the process of creating this one gave her the incentive to think about all the things she loves about her hubby. From snuggly nights in front of the TV to moments in nature and fun adventures, it was a chance for her to celebrate the bond that they share.



Don't miss Becki's video to learn more about how she created this adorable mini album. Watch here: bit.ly/WI23Becki







you & me mini album

BY BECKI ADAMS

supplies CARDSTOCK: American Crafts; PATTERNED PAPER, ENAMEL DOTS, EPHEMERA, STICKERS: Doodlebug Design; CHIPBOARD: Scrapbook.com; CUT FILES: Silhouette America; PUNCHES: EK Success, We R Makers; TRIM: Hobby Lobby; FONT: American Typewriter; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Scrapbook.com; OTHER: Album, gold rings

DESIGN TIP: Sometimes a mini album is an

amazing gift to give, but it can also be a gift to oneself. It's likely that Becki's cute and very pink and adorable album is more for HER than for her husband. But what a wonderful way to capture her feelings about the two of them.

layout 3

DESIGN TIP: Pair a layout about the one you

love with one of your crafting loves! We know that Paige adores patterned paper and a good paper folding technique, so this layout is a match made in heaven!



WITH LOVE, PAIGE

Share a favourite photo of you and your spouse.

You can see the joy that Paige and her husband feel when they are together. Am I the only one who is wondering what he said in her ear to make her laugh like that?

DESIGN TIP: Note how the dimensional heart stickers are sprinkled above and below the photo. **DESIGN TIP: A portion of the journaling is** beneath the word together, but in person, you'd be able to read what it says from a different angle.

joy together

BY PAIGE EVANS

supplies PATTERNED PAPER, EPHEMERA, STICKERS: Paige Evans for American Crafts; ADHESIVE: American Crafts

Want more fun patterned paper folding tips? Don't miss another fun idea from Paige in our Paige's Page column on page 61.