BettesMakes and Copious Crafts Weekly Newsletter June 8



Hello to the warmth and sunny weather! June is to set to bring us closer to beaches and vacations. My grandson is graduating from high school this month and so far he has not made up his mind about what he wants to do with his life. It seems that when I was 18, my vocation was pretty well set by my parents! Today, they have a choice! He wants to further his schooling but wants to wait until he has a couple of years working for some extra cash. It is difficult to keep my mouth shut as I so believe in keeping learning a life-long process. Hence, he may want to pursue SCUBA Welding - his choice, but we shall see!

Anyone else have children or grand children mapping out their future? In many ways, I am still mapping out mine! I have had a career teaching and working in high tech including being a published author! When it comes to crafting, that is where the life-long learning stills kicks in! I always encourage anyone, whether they attend University or just go to work, to find ways to indulge in the arts (any form) as it will expand their awareness of the world.

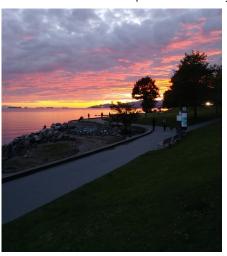
I hate to admit I am still working on my Paper Mache Clay project! Filming will begin in the next few days! I found myself working in the garden (I have a volunteer green space to look after), and picking up donations of left-over pastries and sandwiches from our local Starbucks to take to locations that need the food for their patrons. I even manage to hand out sandwiches to those picking up soda/beer cans or just trying to get money to buy food. It makes me feel great to be of service to my community. The bonus is that it gives me a lift for creating even more great craft projects.

Don't forget to pick up your copy of my latest FREEBIE <u>The Top 7 Simple & Cheap Tools You Need Right Away to Get Started Paper Crafting</u>. I have added the templates for the 3 projects to the resource library. and I have revamped the 3 videos on my <u>YouTube Channel!</u>

Could I ask you a favor? I need to have 100 subscribers in order to rename my channel to BettesMakes. I truly need that subscribe from everyone. I really appreciate the help!

This weeks color palette is Sunset- just <u>click here</u> to see more wonderful oranges you can use in spring and summer! Here is the image (from my local beach view) I used to make this palette:





Any photographers in the group? If you have a photo you would like to have the color palette created for you, send me your image and I would be happy to help you. Simply email me at bette@bettesmakes.com - tell me the story about the image as I would love to share your work! If you want to keep the image private, DO NOT SEND IT TO ME

As an aside, my artistic and **master knitter** daughter has a new website - check it out - https://carinagrace.com - she is preparing an awesome FREE Knitting pattern for all her new subscribers.

Reminder: I finally have a group http://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes! The group used to be Copious Crafts but we have joined forces and now can share even more with you and also have you add your makes at the same time. My blog posts and the links to them are always posted in the group in order for you to have easy access. It is a great place to also add your comments and join in the discussions. The group is also a great place for you to post your makes and ask for opinions. The group is a two-way street and in place to help everyone.

I will continue to add my final project (The Lily) in the coming week along with a hopefully completed Paper Mache Clay post! I am sure the Paper Mache project is going to drive me crazy until I finish it!!! I will also add a video to YouTube when it is done.

I am still ready to make a giant sunflower using crepe-paper. Please email me your suggestions for making one of these (especially if you have done one before). My email as always is bette@bettesmakes.com

An update on Pinterest - we now at 2.3 million monthly views (not sure why it went down and the followers went up) with over 1225 followers. If you have not yet followed BettesMakes, please click here and follow me - many thanks in advance!

Don't forget to subscribe to my new YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzMHoceK1XiXi8lykicnUmQ

Do you know anyone who loves to craft and would benefit from this newsletter and the resource library? Please pass this newsletter on and let us know. We have a surprise ready for those who have 5 or more people signup in the month of June.

This weekend is a time to keep active. Get out and enjoy the fresh air (I hope all of you are in a safe place). The big NBA playoffs will likely take center stage for some of you - it is always an opportunity to create something at the same time.

Think about our **up and coming challenge - starting June 21**. I am still working on the details as I want it to be a load of fun and not take up all your time. It is a summer set of projects. I will post the link to the details in the Facebook group plus send it out in next week's newsletter.

The list of DIY Paper Flowers is still growing:

DIY Paper Flower Peony

The Top 7 Simple & Cheap Tools You Need Right Away to Get Started Paper Crafting (DIY Paper Flower Carnation)

How to Make a Giant Crepe-Paper Rose

Easy Large Garden DIY Paper Flower

DIY Paper Flowers

Perfecting Paper Flowers

I do hope you are going to have a fantastic weekend! Happy Crafting!



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Don't forget to subscribe to my new channel on <u>YouTube</u> - new videos each week will be posted. Creating videos for my crafts is the best way to add to my step-by-step blog tutorials.



In case you forgot, the password for the resource library is **love**

For those of us who love to blog and do crafts, check out the latest Pinterest

Launch Plan from Jennifer Maker. it is something you do not want to miss. I have been following this religiously for the past two months and I am still in awe at how many monthly views I am getting. As of today we are over 1.8 million monthly views on Pinterest.



Jennifer also has a list building course called <u>List Love</u> - I am working my way through this program as we speak. As the first program was so successful, I am truly excited about diving into this one as well.

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