BettesMakes and Copious Crafts Weekly Newsletter June 15



More sunny weather is on the way! Here we are at mid-June and most older children are out of school and ready to have their summer vacation! I am totally on the same page. My grandson had his high-school graduation ceremony this week and his is totally excited about getting a job! He wants to buy a car, take SCUBA lessons, and generally take control of his life! I love the youthful enthusiasm and hope to keep some of it for myself.

Are you ready for the Summer Challenge?

On Monday I am launching the Crafting Summer Challenge with 5 crafts that can be completed over the summer. By mid-August they should all be completed. Make sure you check for the details in the Facebook group:

https://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes. All the details will be added there along with any links to templates, patterns, downloadables, and other digital items you need for the projects.

What Types of Crafts are in the Summer Challenge?

Part of my focus for the Summer Challenge is to keep the costs to a minimum. All of the crafts will be based on <u>The Top 7 Simple & Cheap Tools You Need Right Away to Get Started with Paper Crafting</u>, which can be found in the <u>resource library</u> on my website.

All of the crafts will be paper crafts which will make them transportable if you happen to be on vacation and want a fun project to do in your downtime.

There will be no need to carry around 12 x 12 paper, just stick to the 8.5 x 11 bond paper/cardstock in different colors and you will be well on your way. As some of the projects involve using decorative tape, you can substitute your own drawings on bond paper cut into the right shape. They both will look absolutely stunning!

I Finally Finished Filming the Paper Mache Clay Project!

Now to work on the edits before I release the video. I still want to add a few more items to the project, such as mixing the clay and applying it to the sculpture but that will need to wait for a short while. This project has been a very long one and it is still going on. I keep telling myself it will soon be finished! Have you ever had a project that never seems to stop? Share it with me via email (bette@bettesmakes) or in the Facebook group.

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!

Color Palette of the Week

This weeks color palette is Rudbeckia- just <u>click here</u> to see more wonderful red combinations you can use all year long! Here is the image (from a local garden) I used to make this palette. I took this image in Stanley Park at the Rose Garden. Breathtaking colors for sure!



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

Reminder About the Facebook Group

We now have 76 member in our new group http://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes!

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*.

More DIY Paper Flower projects are in the works along with some simple, yet challenging handmade cards. These will be a part of the Summer Challenge for sure.

Pinterest

An update on Pinterest - we now at 2.2 million monthly views (not sure why it went down and the followers went up) with over 1271 followers. If you have not yet followed BettesMakes, please click here and follow me - many thanks in advance!

Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzMHoceK1XiXi8lyk...

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). Wow, I am totally AMAZED!!! The Toronto RAPTORS won the NBA title in 6 games. Congrats!!! Now we are moving into Tennis season with Wimbledon just around the corner, and of course, there is always Major League Baseball!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!! Join the <u>Facebook Group</u> and get ready to start the **up** and coming challenge - starting June 21. The details for each week's craft will be posted every Tuesday in the Facebook group. So pack your scissor, glue, pens, paint, and paper when heading out! A lot of fun is around the corner.

The list of DIY Paper Flowers is still growing:

How to Make a DIY Paper Flower Lily

DIY Paper Flower Peony

The Top 7 Simple & Cheap Tools You Need Right Away to Get Started Paper Crafting

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!

Bello

To get on my book pre-launch list click here: <u>The Top 100 Crafts Using Simple & Cheap Tools</u>

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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 <u>Pinterest Launch Plan</u> 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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