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EYEInspire by Amber Packer

What a whirlwind month we have had this month!

We are thrilled at your response to our newest collections. We heard from so many of you on our blog. The "My Mind's Eye Guys" had a great time at CHA talking with the owners and buyers of your favorite scrapbook supplier! We have already begun shipping our new collections, so keep your eyes on the lookout for them!

Miss Caroline
Follow Your Heart
On the Bright Side

If you haven't had a chance to see them yet, please visit our blog (<http://www.mymindseye.typepad.com>) or website (<http://www.mymindseye.com>). Even though our contests have closed, we would love to hear your response.

Our designers have out done themselves this month! In this issue of "Blink of an Eye", you will enjoy cards, layouts and home decor to celebrate not only the month of love, but all your celebrations!

"Love is the difficult realization that something other than oneself is real." Iris Murdoch



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You & Me

Featured Collection: Love Me

Supplies:

- 1 - Banners paper (12 x 12)
- 1 - Love paper (10 x 10)
- 1 - Stamped paper (2 1/4 x 9 1/2)
- 1 - Hearts paper (see step 5 and step 8)
- 6 x 6 paper pad
- Die Cut Accessories Sheet
- Fun Day Happy Day Fun Twine
- Lost & Found 2 - Blush "Better" Buttons
- Lost & Found 2 - Blush "Favorite" Trims
- Lush - Red Trims
- Photos: (1) 4" x 6"

Also used: Brown pen, brown ink, brown thread, sewing machine and edge distressed.

Instructions:

- Step 1: Trim papers to sizes listed above. Ink and distress.
- Step 2: Place adhesive in the center of love paper doily side up) and adhere to center of banner paper (dot side).
- Step 3: Starting at bottom right corner, begin sewing using a straight stitch bunching up crochet trim as you go around.
- Step 4: Adhere vintage newspaper strip about 2" in from left side of doily paper.
- Step 5: Cut one - 1 x 6 strip with hearts on border going down left side and adhere to left side of photo with heart border peaking out.
- Step 6: Rip out "love" paper from 6 x 6 pad and ink and distress edges leaving tear strip on top. Outline "Love" and hearts with brown ink.
- Step 7: Distress 4 x 6 photo and adhere to to paper with "Love" on right side of photo.
- Step 8: Cut one - 1 x 6 strip and adhere with red side up to right side of 6 x 6 love paper with about 1/4" of red showing.
- Step 9: Layer doilies (hand cut) and bingo card under photo mat as shown. Sew a straight edge along right side of "love" paper under heart border.
- Step 10: Punch out heart from Accessories sheet and layer on heart on of "You + Me" die cut by sewing down center of heart. Using fingers, curl up each side of heart.
- Step 11: Add doily die cut, "You + Me" die cut and button as shown.
- Step 12: Cut banner strip smaller and sew to top corner of layout. Cut apart banner pieces and curl up as shown.
- Step 13: Hand sew button by heart border.
- Step 14: Journal and enjoy!

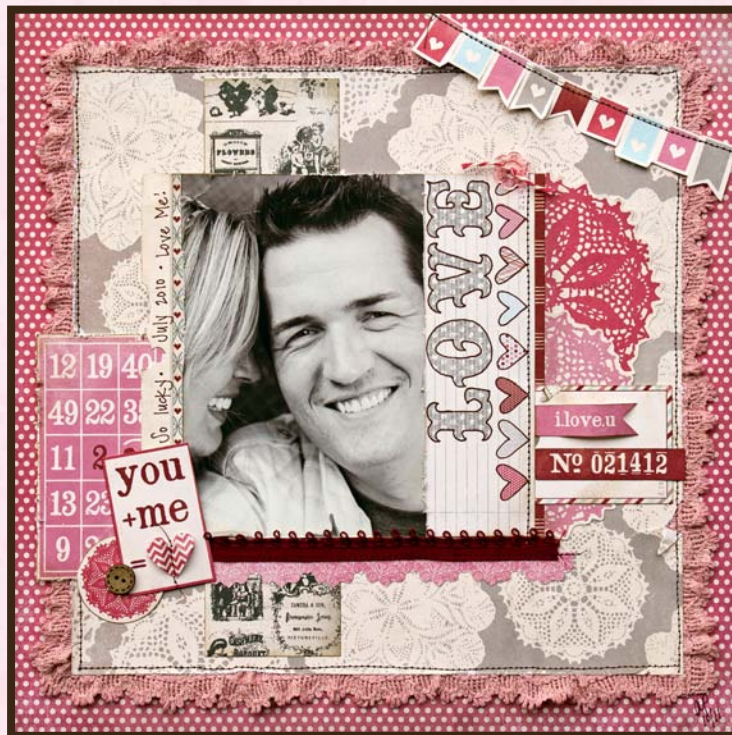


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http://www.4shared.com/photo/NsZyn7ZI/Love_Me_Banner_web.html

Newsletter Archive Link:
<http://mymindseye.com/Newsletter.asp>

EYE Expand two-page Layouts

by *Anam Stubbington*
<http://www.anamstubbington.typepad.com>

I took Jana's awesome single page sketch and made it into a double page layout to show how versatile a sketch can be. And then I was inspired to make a second double pager using the same sketch.

"Baby Silly"



Text: (these are photos from my baby shower when I was pregnant with Lily) The girls at treasured memories thrown me a huge surprise baby shower. I cried and I laughed once I got over the shock. It was fun. The card was from Laurie and made us all giggle. June 2008.

Supplies:

Papers: Kraft Funday Bright Days 'Ferris Wheel', 'Sugar Rush', 'Lollipop Dots', 'Super Star', 'countdown'

DieCut: Kraft Funday Bright DieCut Sheet, Kraft Funday Bright Chipboard, Kraft Funday Bright Trims

Jewels: Kraft Funday Bright Days, Kraft Funday Bright Brads

Extras: White Pen, White Cardstock, white paint, Foam Adhesive, Alphas

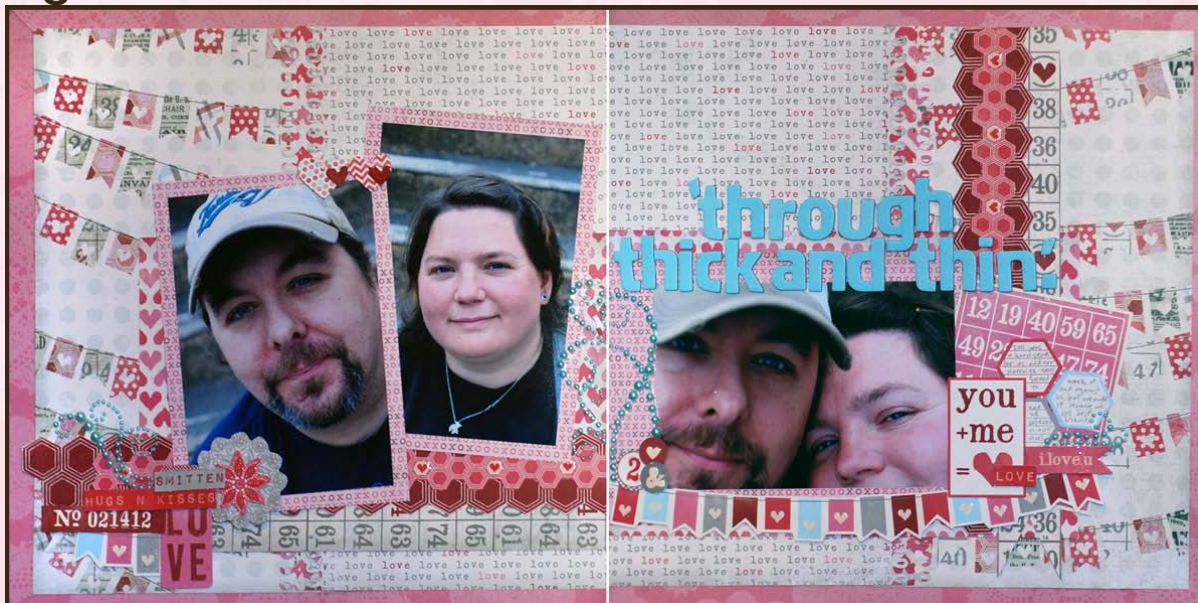
Instructions:

1. Cut six 1" Strips from the 'sugar Rush' paper, Add them as a frame to the white cardstock.
2. Cut two 6" wide strips from the 'lollipop Dots' paper, trace each circle with the white pen.
3. Cut two 4.5" wide strips from the 'countdown' paper, outline with the white pen.
***note I trimmed my photos to be 3.5" high to concentrate the focus of the image so if you use 4" photos, you will not have as much matt showing as in my layout.
4. Cut four 2" Strips from 'Ferris Wheel' and 'Super Star' papers. Out line with the white pen.
5. Hand cut a bunch of nesting circles from the 'Lollipop Dots'. Outline them with the white pen and layer them together to make flowers with brads as the circle.
6. With the larger flower, Add the felt trip to it. I added some white paint to the edge of the felt and then cut strips to the straight edge to enable it to be turned in a circle.
7. Select your desired Chipboard and cardstock diecuts and trims. Outline all with the white pen.
8. Layer all the embellishments as desired.

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"Through Thick and Thin"



Text: 2011 was an insanely hard year for us and for our marriage. The loss of Canada, the move to the UK, the struggle financially to get through, the fight to make sure our kids were OK and just to get through each day. We made it because we are best friends and we trust each other and believe in our marriage vows. Hopefully 2012 will be an easier year for us.

Supplies:

I stuck to using just the contents of a single pack of the Love Me Paper release. I added a Lost & Found 2 Jewel Pearl Swirl as a last touch.

Extras: Ranger Glossy Accents, Foam Adhesive, Edge Punch, Alphas, two sheets cardstock

Instructions:

1. Cut six 2" strips and add to edge of cardstock to form border.
2. Cut a sheet into half so 2 x 6" strips. Add to outside edges of cardstock (but just over laying the border)
3. Cut two 2" Strips from the paper you want as your mat. Punch the edge on one side.
4. Adhere over the 6" strip.
5. Cut a second sheet in half and Punch the edge on one side, Over lay that on the 2" strip so that it meets in the middle of the double layout (see the 'love' paper)
6. Adhere the remaining 8" Strip of your matting paper across the middle of the sheet.
7. Mat your photos and add to page.
8. Cut Strips from other papers and add at varying lengths to the layout.
9. Add in die-cuts as desired using foam adhesive to give dimension.
10. Cut your swirl into a variety of sections and add in for a touch of bling.
11. Add your journaling.
12. Add Glossy accents to highlight certain die cuts or elements of die cuts. Leave to dry.

EYE Expand - Cards by Anam Stubbington

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I took parts of the sketch and made 4 different cards to show how versatile a sketch can be.



"Love"

Supplies:

Papers: Love Me 'Pink Hex' reverse, Love Me 'stamped' reverse, Kraft Funday Bright Days 'Ferris Wheel' reverse

Die Cut: Love Me Paper Pack Die Cut Sheet

Jewels: Kraft Funday Bright Days

Extras: Ranger Glossy Accents, Heart Punches, Foam dots

Instructions: Cut Card from background Sheet, Fold a strip of the other paper and cut pointed to make banner strip. Add Die-cut banner and adhere jewels. Add Punched hearts, add two jewels and then add glossy accents as desired. Leave to dry.



"2 < 3 14"

Supplies:

Papers: Love Me 'Pink Hex' reverse, Love Me 'stamped' reverse, Kraft Funday Bright Days 'Ferris Wheel' reverse

Die Cut: Love Me Paper Pack Die Cut Sheet

Extras: Ranger Glossy Accents, Foam Adhesive

Instructions: Cut Card from sheet, Tear bottom of strip of sheet, Fold the number die cut and add across card. Pop up heart die cut with foam adhesive. Take die cut tags and add to card. Use glossy accents and leave to dry.



EYE Expand - Cards by *Anam Stubbington*

<http://www.anamstubbington.typepad.com>

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"I love you"

Supplies:

Papers: Love Me 'Pink Hex' reverse, Love Me 'stamped' reverse, Kraft Funday Bright Days 'Ferris Wheel' reverse

Die Cut: Love Me Paper Pack Die Cut Sheet

Extras: Ranger Glossy Accents. Foam Adhesive

Instructions: Add backing paper to card. Arrange Die cuts as desired. Pop up hearts with foam adhesive. Use glossy accents and leave to dry.



"You"

Supplies:

Papers: Kraft Funday Bright Days 'Ferris Wheel' reverse, Kraft Funday Bright Days 'Icing' front & reverse

Die Cut: Kraft Funday Bright Days Chipboard

Jewels: Kraft Funday Everyday

Extras: Heart Punches, Foam Adhesive

Instructions: Cut Card from Sheet, cut two strips of the paper and cut pointed to make banner strip. Add 3 punched hearts. I distressed the edges for some extra texture. Then add the chipboard banner and adhere another punched heart. Add the chipboard word and two jewels.



EYE Decorate

by *Suzanne Sergi*
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Love Framed Art

Featured Collection: Love Me

Supplies:

- 12 x 12 My Mind's Eye Love Me Numbers Grid
- 12 x 12 My Mind's Eye Love Me Accessories Sheet
- 12 x 12 My Mind's Eye Love Me Banners
- 12 x 12 My Mind's Eye Love Me Stamped

Also used: Tulle, strings, frame, roses (or make your own from our papers), glitter, vellum

Instructions:

1. Cut numbers paper to 8 x 10. Cut banners paper to 2" x 12" strip, and adhere to the bottom of numbers paper.
2. Adhere the hexagon border from the accessory sheet, and adhere to banners strip.
3. Punch a 3 inch circle from vellum paper, and adhere to the top of the hexagon border on right side of paper.
4. Punch a 2 1/2 circle from the stamped paper, and layer on top of vellum circle.
5. Cut banner strip from cream cardstock, and layer on top of stamped paper.
6. Glitter roses, and adhere on top of stamped circle paper.
7. Begin building banner on top of frame.
8. Pick 5 items from accessory sheet, and layer each one with the mini accessory cutouts. Punch holes at top of each accessory banner.
9. String white string through each of five items. Tie one end with tulle, and twirl string on right side to create whimsical design.



EYEGiveaway

The winner of our February Newsletter giveaway is:

Dawn Seibert-Sinur!!

(We have sent an email to Dawn)

Our March newsletter winner will receive their choice of either our On the Bright Side One or Two collection! Remember, all you have to do to enter is receive sign up to receive our newsletter. If you haven't already, visit either our blog or website to register for our newsletter. Good luck!

EYEBlog

January Blog Challenge Winner:

Jenny Evans

(<http://jennygevens-mylittlescrapcorner.blogspot.com/2012/01/mme-blog-challenge-31.html>)

January Blog Challenge Honorable Mention:

Jody Rogers

(<http://www.creativeauthority.blogspot.com/2012/01/mme-sketch-challenge.html>)

January Blog Challenge Card Winner:

Christine Penafor

(http://creativejourney.typepad.com/creative_journey/2012/01/new-things.html)

February Layout Challenge theme:

"You"

February Card Challenge theme:

"You"

February Blog Challenge begins Monday, February 6, 2012
and ends Sunday, February 19, 2012

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