#### **Happy February Everyone!**

I hope your February started off on a good note. We're just cruising along stamping and 'bee'ing happy! Thank you again to all of you for your support this last month! I appreciate the in person and online support! January was a fabulous month and we definitely crafted and created a lot here in the Hive and online. Thank you again to all of you for your support this last month! I appreciate the in person and online support! It was another great month and I know I couldn't do it without ALL of you! THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH! You guys are the best. I know you can choose who you shop through and take classes with and I always appreciate when you pick me.

Two weeks into the leave of absence and I don't know where they went....but they sure went fast....I guess I could say lots of time was spent designing cards for upcoming classes....feels good to work ahead on that part of it.

Chris Dudarenke was the winner for the January newsletter drawing...she won a \$10 gift certificate towards Stampin' Up! Product through me and she already used it...yay!

Judy Bobo was the winner of the half off bundle, Sweet Conversations. This prize was awarded for sharing a FB video and being in the VIP group. Please reach out to me if you're on my team or placed an order with me in the last 6 months and you're not in the VIP group. I would love to add you. The Mystery Card Night drawing was held a couple weeks ago, and Susan Murphy and Mary Jo McCullik won prizes. The Top Fan prizes went to Mitzi Stanley, Mary Karls, Susan Corsello, and Millie Kindle. Stacy Burns won the Monthly Creative Challenge Drawing and Barb Johnson won the Class Card Challenge. Jean Maxwell answered the most questions correctly and won the \$20 product gift certificate for the Scavenger Hunt...yay! Plus all the cards I made during lives were won....so many prizes!

## **Upcoming Classes – I'd love for you to join in for some stamping fun!**

## Stamping with ME = FUN

Please RSVP to me as soon as you know you're going to attend class, so I can plan the number of kits to prepare for class and ensure there is space and a set of kits for you.

I have Facebook Live Online classes on Thursday nights...and some Monday nights...and some Friday nights...and Sunday afternoons for those that aren't local. I'd love for you to join me live or catch the replay. Please RSVP for online classes if you want to make the cards along with me. Please note – the central source to look for what classes are coming up is always at cardsbychrisb.com – go to the Events calendar

**Email chrismbertram@msn.com, call / text to 920-960-4390 or pop me a FB message.** You can see my whole schedule online at cardsbychrisb.com in the newsletters link. Please note that the amounts shown below for class fees are if paid with cash or check at class. There's a lot coming up this month.

## Host Codes Used to get Classes for FREE!

I provide kits for classes for free if the minimum amount is purchased in an order and the host code is used. In the past, if you forgot to add it before checking out, I or you could call Stampin' Up! to have it added to qualify for the class. Going forward, they are limiting it to 10 per month. Please do your best to get it added before checking out. <sup>(i)</sup> You can always find the current host code at cardsbychrisb.com and go to the events link. It is on the right side on computers and under the calendar if you're on your phone. See the screenshot below to see where it is located....under the photo of me. I have some past classes still available and don't worry if you forget and qualify with the minimum amount because I'll send you one of the amazing past classes as a gift and thank you. You could contact SU directly if you catch it right after you submit it and they most likely would add it for you – call 800-stampup.

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**The easiest way to register for a class is to RSVP to Christine** at 920-960-4390 (text/call) or chrismbertram@msn.com as soon as you know you want to attend. I can add you to the class list and verify the amount needed to order or to be paid, and confirm there is space in the class. This gives you the option to the get the 'cash' discount pricing.

You can also register via the cardsbychrisb.com website and use your credit card to pay. A small convenience fee is charged then.

#### **Class Schedule**

You can always find a copy of the current class schedule in a pdf format in the newsletter section at CardsbyChrisb.com – go to newsletters - this is where you can always find an up-to-date copy.

#### **2020-2022 IN COLORS WILL BE RETIRING**

It is sad to think that some of our favorite colors will be retiring on or before May 3rd. They are Misty Moonlight, Just Jade, Bumblebee, Cinnamon Cider, and Magenta Madness....in no particular order, but by my favorite to least. You need to start thinking about what you want to get before they are gone. I promise that every year the ink refills and the cardstock sell out before the Annual Catalog is done. Start adding these items to your next orders so you're not sad when you miss out. We'll be celebrating these colors at the In Color Retirement Classes set for April 27<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>h</sup>. To be entered into the drawing for the secret hidden question reply with your answer to which retiring in color you will miss the most.

# Paper Pumpkin March 2022 – Beyond the Horizon



From the hands and hearts of the in-house artisans to you—our fellow crafters and creators—comes this month's breathtaking kit. The Beyond the Horizon Paper Pumpkin Kit includes watercolor prints and designs inspired by the beautiful nature around us to create nine cards and coordinating envelopes. And paper pieces that perfectly coordinate with the New Horizons Suite Collection in the January–June 2022 Mini Catalog.

Don't forget the FREE stamp set inside (yes—that's two stamp sets in one kit!) as SU's way of saying THANK YOU to all of our wonderful Paper Pumpkin subscribers.

With all these marvelous materials and more, I can't wait to see how you take this kit far beyond the horizon!

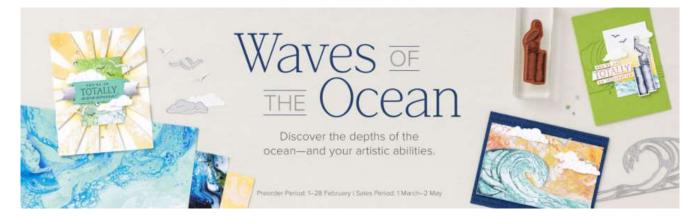
Kit Details -

- This month's kit contains enough elements to create 9 cards—3 each of 3 designs—and 9 coordinating envelopes. This all-inclusive kit includes printed card bases, die-cut paper pieces, embellishments, adhesive, and more!
- The Beyond the Horizon Paper Pumpkin Kit includes a Misty Moonlight Classic Stampin' Spot!
- This kit's stamp set is perfect for any occasion. With sentiments that say "thanks", "hello", "thinking of you," and so many more, you'll be able to use this stamp set year round.
- And if you thought one stamp set was great just wait—this month's kit comes with a BONUS stamp set for FREE! That's two stamp sets in one kit! It's our way of saying THANK YOU to you our Paper Pumpkin subscribers.
- That's not all! This kit perfectly coordinates with the New Horizons Suite Collection in our January–June 2022 Mini Catalog Which means even more exclusive elegant watercolor designs curated by our in-house artists just for you!
- Card size: 4-1/4" x 5-1/2" (10.8 x 14 cm)
- Envelope size: 4-1/2" x 5-3/4" (11.4 x 14.6 cm)
- Coordinating colors: Bumblebee, Calypso Coral, Evening Evergreen, Misty Moonlight, Night of Navy, Old Olive, Pale Papaya

Subscription Information - Buy a 1, 3, 6, or 12 month prepaid subscription through me or subscribe at <u>mypaperpumpkin.com/en/?demoid=2127905</u> by March 10th and you will receive the January kit.

To Subscribe - Click above on the link above OR - you can get a 1 month, 3 month, 6 month, or 12 month prepaid subscription in my online store (save money on 3, 6, and 12 month subscriptions)

# **Waves of the Ocean**



Each of the world's wide and open oceans is brimming with beauty and wonder. Marvelous marine animals, miles of submerged mountain ranges, and unique underwater plants lie thousands of feet below Earth's dry surface, encouraging exploration and awaiting discovery.

Discover the depths of the ocean—and your artistic abilities—with the Waves of the Ocean Collection! This coastal collection includes an inspiring set of stamps and detailed dies, both early-release products from the upcoming 2022–2023 Annual Catalog. Plus, a pack of paper made from images of hand-poured paint, blue-hued foil sheets for a sea of shine, and radiant rhinestones for a splash of sparkle—each an exclusive product you can only purchase during the promotion period!

Explore artistic expression with the Waves of the Ocean Collection. With these seaside supplies, you'll dive into inspiration and swim in a sea of creativity! Keep reading for promotion and product details, marketing tips and tricks, and shareable resources that'll blow you out of the water.

# THE SALES PERIOD IS MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> UNTIL MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2022

- The Waves of Inspiration Stamp Set and Waves Dies can be ordered separately, if desired.
- The Waves of Inspiration Stamp Set and Waves of the Ocean Collection are available in English, French, and German.
- The following exclusive products are only available while supplies last:
  - $_{\odot}$  Waves of the Ocean 12" x 12" (30.5 x 30.5 cm) Designer Series Paper
  - $_{\odot}$  Blue Foils 12" x 12" (30.5 x 30.5 cm) Specialty Paper
  - $_{\circ}$  Rhinestone Waves Basic Jewels
- Qualifying orders are eligible for Stampin' Rewards. (Except for the Waves of the Ocean Collection)
- Waves of the Ocean items can be added to a starter kit.

158833	WAVES OF INSPIRATION CLING STAMP SET	\$23.00 USD   \$32.00 CAD	
	Early-release product from the 2022–2023 Annual Catalog.		TOTALLY
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158840	WAVES DIES	\$34.00 USD   \$47.00 CAD	
	Early-release product from the 2022–2023 Annual Catalog.		
	• 10 dies		
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158841	WAVES OF INSPIRATION BUNDLE	\$51.25 USD   \$71.00 CAD	
130041	includes the Waves of Inspiration Cling Stamp Set and Waves Dies (at a 10% discount).		
	Early-release product from the 2022–2023 Annual Catalog.		
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159982	WAVES OF THE OCEAN 12" X 12" (30.5 X 30.5 CM) DESIGNER SERIES PAPER	\$11.50 USD   \$15.75 CAD	
	Exclusive Designer Series Paper only available during the Waves of the Ocean promotion.	ę	
	12 sheets: 2 each of 6 double-sided designs		
	Acid free, lignin free		
	Calypso Coral, Coastal Cabana, Daffodil Delight, Granny Apple Green, Night of Navy, Pr Point, Petal Pink	scific	
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159983	BLUE FOILS 12" X 12" (30.5 X 30.5 CM) SPECIALTY PAPER	\$10.00 USD   \$13.75 CAD	AAA
	Exclusive specialty paper only available during the Waves of the Ocean promo	tion.	
	+ 6 sheets: 2 each of 3 colors		
	Coastal Cabana, Night of Navy, silver		
	Only available while supplies last		
	- Limit 2		
icultures (	RHINESTONE WAVES BASIC JEWELS	\$6.50 USD   \$9.00 CAD	0.0
	Exclusive embellishments only available during the Waves of the Ocean promotion.	0	0.0
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161797	WAVES OF THE OCEAN COLLECTION           The entire exclusive, early-release collection!           Explore an ocean of inspiration with tropical tones, marble-painted paper, and solashes of sporkie!           The Waves of the Ocean Collection includes:           • Waves of inspiration Bundle (10% off)           • Waves of the Ocean 12' x 12' (30.5 x 30.5 cm) Designer Series Paper           • Blue Foils 12' x 12' (30.5 x 30.5 cm) Specialty Paper           • Rhinestone Waves Sasic Jeweis           • Only available while supplies last           • Limit 1.	\$79.25 USD   \$109.50 CAD	

# The Kits Collection – New Kit Added – Celebrate Today Magnet Board Kit



Kits Collection by Stampin' Up! is the perfect program beginner crafters with its variety and all-inclusive projects. Stampin' Up continues to strengthen that variety by regularly adding new kits to the offering. With that, they are excited to announce the latest Kits Collection addition.



The latest addition to the Kits Collection by Stampin' Up! is a fun one! With the Celebrate Today Magnet Board Kit, you can create and customize your very own magnet board with included stickers to organize daily tasks and sentiments of positive affirmations. Since when have daily chores looked so cute?

- Kit includes one framed magnet board
- Includes sticker sheets, double-sided cards, and double-sided paper to decorate with
- Includes six magnet clips and two pocket envelopes to attach things to your board
- Finished magnet board size (inside of frame): 12" x 12" (30.5 x 30.5 cm)
- Coordinating colors: Basic Black, Blushing Bride, Flirty Flamingo, Melon Mambo, Mint Macaron, Smoky Slate

## Spring Mini and Sale-A-Bration Catalogs Launched January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The 2022 Spring Mini Catalog will be live Tuesday, January 4th and goes through June 30<sup>th</sup> while Sale-A-Bration goes until February 28<sup>th</sup>. To find electronic copies of the catalogs on January 4<sup>th</sup> go to: www.cardsbychrisb.com and click on the Catalogs link. I have catalogs available now for customers that are local to me to pick up. For those that aren't local I'll be mailing the catalogs myself versus having them sent directly from Stampin' Up!

#### SHOP

Here's the deal: for every \$50 you spend (before tax and shipping), you get a FREE Sale-A-Bration product. That means it's the perfect time to purchase those products you've had your eye on while earning more products for free. There is also a set you can earn with a \$100 order.

#### HOST

Need another excuse to get together with friends? Just host a qualifying party with at least \$300 in sales during Sale-A-Bration and you'll earn an exclusive stamp set called Calming Camellia! My calendar fills up fast so please contact me soon to pencil in a date if you would like to host a party of your own....heck, you can even have it in my studio so you don't have to clean your house.

#### JOIN

It's a great time of year to join Stampin' Up! During Sale-A-Bration, you can become a demonstrator for just \$99 and you will get to choose \$125 of product for your Starter Kit—anything! Plus, you will receive an exclusive gift from the upcoming catalog, plus you'll get your choice of any two stamp sets for FREE. Plus, the kit ships for free and it comes with a sample Paper Pumpkin! Who's going to be my first new team member in January?

## **SALE-A-BRATION \$25 Gift Certificates**

Throughout Sale-A-Bration I will be doing drawings for \$25 gift certificates with me. You will get your name on the board and entered into the drawing each time you earn a free SAB item (2 times if you pick the \$100 value SAB item) How cool is that? Not only do you earn free items from SU, but lucky winners will get small shopping sprees with me! Last year 5 people won \$25 gift certificates with me. Don't worry if you forget to write you name on the slip...I'll follow up with you to get your name added. We've had 5 lucky winners since SAB started in January...yay!

## **SALE-A-BRATION Celebrations**

Are you on the guest list? Earn your spot and check out how you can do it by going to my calendar of events on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at - https://cardsbychrisb.squarespace.com/events/sale-a-bration-celebration-thu-mar-2022

# **Referral and Sharing Contest**



Update! We didn't meet the 2,500 likes, but we'll continue the push and do the drawing for those that helped and commented by December 31<sup>st</sup>, once we reach 2,500 likes. UPDATE!!! AS OF 2/18 WE ARE AT 2,998....wowsers!!!! So close!!!

Help me get to 2,500 likes for your chance to purchase the mini cut and emboss machine at half price! Kelly and I love this creative community where we get to share our passion for making beautiful things with all of you!! I hope you love being a part of the fun and enjoy the tips, techniques, and inspiration you receive as well as the friends you make along the way! Thank you in advance to those who already like the Cards by Christine Facebook page. To help support our goal, simply encourage your friends to join in on the fun by sharing my page and come back to this post to let us know that you shared! Only comments on this post will be tabulated for the drawing!

The winner will be responsible for the cost of the machine (half price = \$30) and shipping if you are not local to Fond du Lac, WI. Winner will be drawn after the goal is reached if met by December 31st.

The post to comment that you shared is https://www.facebook.com/cardsbychrisb/photos/a.238368593189389/1551994208493481

## **All Together**



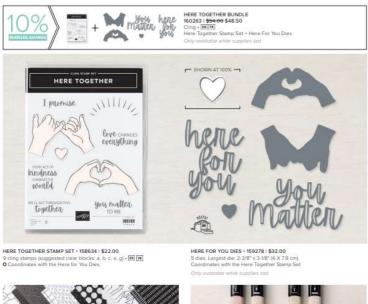
Loving hands and heartfelt words are the best way to show you care. With hand designs that illustrate coming together in friendship and solidarity, the All Together Collection will help you create cardmaking and paper crafting projects that reflect the people you know and love.

The All Together Collection includes early-release products from the 2022–2023 Annual Catalog—an exciting new range of natural Stampin' Blends—and exclusive products you can't get anywhere else! Come together to create projects inspired by you.

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- The Here Together Stamp Set, Here for You Dies, Here Together, and the All Together Collection are available in English and French.
- No limits apply during the customer sales period.
- Qualifying orders are eligible for Stampin' Rewards. (Except for the All Together Collection)
- All Together items can be added to a starter kit.
- The following exclusive products are only available while supplies last:

 $_{\odot}$  Here for You Dies, Here Together Bundle, All Together Collection





ALL TOGETHER 6" X 6" (15.2 X 15.2 CM) DESIGNER SERIES PAPER 160039 | \$11.50 49 sheets.4 each of 12 double-sided designs. Acid free, lignin free. Black, white.



10 markers. STAMPIN ELDOS COMBO PACK - \$9.00 EACH zmarkers. Available in the 2022-2022 Annual Catalog. 1.0 O Light - 159465 2.0 O Madum Light - 159463 3.0 O Medium - 159462

## **Customer Swap Group**

The customer swap group is in full swing and they are loving it. There are about 8-15 swapping now. Since it is a month to month swap, anyone can join in the fun at any time. All you need to do is let me know you're interested, and I'll add you to the Facebook group for this group. They're already working on the cards for January, but you can always get in for the March cards.

## Small Business Showcase – Used Stamp Sale 2022

The next Showcase and Used Stamp / Scrapbooking & Accessories Sale at The Masonic Center in FdL is set for Saturday, **March 26th from 9 am until 2 pm**. Mark your calendars now.

**Selling** - Please see the selling guidelines by going to the Newsletters section on my website. Important notes: please use a light painters tape or masking tape to mark the prices and your three initials. That way we can pull it off easily to keep track of what sold for who. Use quarter increments. Let me know if you still plan to drop off anything. I will need orders by the day after the sale for customers who sell anything. Also, since I'm no longer storing everything after the sale, you are welcome to bring whatever you'd like to sell including wood stamps...remember that people generally don't buy them so price them to sell.

**Buying** - Show up during the sale to shop the used stamp sale as well as check out the Small Business Saturday Showcase that I'm cohosting with some friends.

## **Bow Makers and Glue Holders**

I have bow makers available for anyone interested. They are \$7 each plus shipping which is usually \$5. Email me if you are interested in getting either one. I can always add one to a package of card kits going out and save you a little on the shipping. I have a few glue holders and the creative caddies are awaiting replenishment.

## **Personalized Stamps**

I hope those that have ordered personalized stamps through Kelly are liking them. For those that are interested in ordering any type of personalized stamp, like for the backs of your cards or for your return address on envelopes it isn't too late to order. Kelly is continuously receiving orders for them and orders them once a sheet fills up. You can reach out to her directly via email at **lamb101715@gmail.com** if you would like to see what is available or if you would like something special designed. You don't need to include me in the correspondence....this is her baby now. Just pop her an email asking her to send you what she has to get started. She'll let you know specific pricing.

## **Gift Certificates Are Always Available**

Looking for the perfect gift for your crafty friend or family member?? Is someone looking for something to buy you for your birthday? Stampin' Up! products and class passes make the perfect gifts. Let them know that I sell gift certificates and now they can be purchased directly from my online store (cardsbychrisb.com) or by contacting me directly. I can also coordinate the shopping part if they would prefer you open a gift. I'm here to help make it easy to give you the perfect gift! Gift certificates or class passes are always fun to get and use!

## **Facebook Notifications**

If you like my page and are not seeing posts in your newsfeed, then you should check your settings to ensure notifications are turned on and that your setting is set to standard and not highlights. Some even set the default to see first, then you are guaranteed to see my stuff and that is amazing when the clearance rack is updated.

# Visit My Blog at www.cardsbychrisb.com for more details and pictures of cards for upcoming classes.

You'll find all the current catalogs, events, and host code at cardsbychrisb.com.

I hope you were as excited to read the news as I was to write it. Thank you so much for your continued support! You are what makes my job so great!

Happy Stamping and Big Hugs! Christine