



Newsletter

May 2010

Spring has slipped away in Texas and summer is just about here. It's time to think about those projects that can be taken on vacation or put into your bag to pull out at the third baseball game of the day! Christmas ornaments, Halloween, and Thanksgiving decorations are all available at the shop right now. Come browse now for the best selection. We just returned from the Cash and Carry Dallas market so we were able to bring everything back with us. We hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

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Further reductions!
Medici Wool and Trio are now 75% off.

Effective immediately we will no longer accept returns on Medici or Trio - thanks!

TRUNK SHOWS COMING UP!

Julie Pischke's trunk show will be arriving in early June. She has wonderful carpetbags and totes that lend themselves to basketweave stitching, but would also be beautiful with decorative stitches. She will be sending her models that we see at market and always wish we had in the shop for you to see. She is also sending florals, belts, and shell and beach designs. **We will offer a discount of 20% off on any trunk show canvas.**

Click [here](#) to read about Julie and see her designs.

In July, Julia's Needleworks will be sending us a trunk show that is strictly nutcrackers. Big ones, little ones, stand-ups, roll-ups and everything in between! It will be a lot of fun to see all of them, so come by and pick out the ones you need to take home with you! **Again, we will offer a 20% discount on any trunk show canvas.**

CLASSES FOR THE SUMMER

Pumpkin with Fall Leaves

Diana Bosworth will teach Raymond Crawford's pumpkin with fall leaves design on Saturday, August 7 from 10:30 to 3:00. Class is limited to 10 so sign up early. This is the class that Diana taught at the Dallas market. Cost is \$140. If you are not able to attend the class, there will be a few kits available that include the canvas, stitch guide, threads, and lunch.

Beyond Basketweave

This is our class that introduces different stitches in a sampler. There are 11 different stitches taught in this one-day class. The \$75 class fee includes a hand painted canvas available in 13 or 18 mesh, lunch, stitchguide, and instructions. Threads are an additional fee. The class will be held on Saturday, June 24th and you will need to pick two colors for your canvas. A \$35 deposit is required when you select your colors. This is a very popular class, so sign up early to reserve your spot.

Knotty Ideas

This is a two hour class taught by Diana Bosworth to demonstrate the different applications of knotted stitches. It will be taught on July 25 from 10:30 - 12:30. Cost is \$25.

Classes for Younger Stitchers

Get your youngsters interested in stitching! These classes are available this summer at your convenience. Just call with three or more interested participants (age 10 and up) and we will devise a class just for them. This is perfect for visiting young relatives or Girl Scout/Camp Fire troops. Call the shop to schedule.

MELISSA SHIRLEY APPLES AND PEARS

Apples, the companion piece to the Melissa Shirley Pears that we did as a workshop, is now available. It is a beautiful canvas and, like the pears, the stitch guide features Laid Filling stitches embellished with beads. We will be doing this in the same workshop format. We will meet every other Monday starting June 14 from 4-6 pm at the shop and stitch. No class fees, no instruction, just stitching with old and new friends on the same piece. Call now if you are interested so that we have your canvas and threads ready to go!

ORNAMENTS OF THE MONTH

We have these kitted and in the store now. The current May ornament is an adorable snowman that is quick to stitch and will definitely add color and sparkle to your Christmas decor. June is an Associated Talents heart in Christmas colors featuring a Christmas charm to attach to the finished piece. Its small size makes it a great traveling project. We add ornaments often so keep checking our website to find the latest Ornaments of the Month.

2010 SERIES

NEW Patterned Pears by Kelly Clark

We are participating in the Kelly Clark Patterned Pear series. There are 12 pears in this series - one per month for 12 months. Besides being a talented artist, Kelly Clark is a wonderful, innovative stitcher and we know you will have fun stitching these pears. This series has been advertised in

Needlepoint Now and we are excited to offer it to you beginning in June. We will be stitching models so you can see them up close. We will post them on the website as soon as possible.

Texas Boots by Melissa Shirley

We will start a new group in June. One per month for 5 months. These are stitched and are on our website.

Candy Corn by Melissa Shirley

Starting in July we have 6 candy corn canvases and we will kit one per month for 6 months. The six canvases highlight a witch, skull, black cat, pumpkin, bat, or devil. So much fun to stitch with new threads and embellishments. Stitching that is a treat, with no tricks!

Easter carrots by Associated Talents

Peter Rabbits favorites! Starting in August, you will receive 2 carrots per month for five months with just enough time to have them finished with ribbon embellishments at the top and ready for Easter!

Call the shop to sign up for any of these series!

Visit our website and click on What's New under Canvases and Kits, or click [here](#) to see our new series.

TEXAS ORNAMENTS

Texas Themed ornaments are a passion of ours! The new Kathy Schenkel Fort Worth round ornament with the skyline and stockyards theme has already been a crowd pleaser. We have Denise DeRusha's Fort Worth and Texas postcards. We have also brought back an old favorite - Traditions' ornament in the shape of Texas filled with Texas wildflowers. All of these are in stock, kitted, and ready to go!

If you have any questions or would like to place an order please contact us. We appreciate your business and we hope to see or hear from you soon!

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