

STUDIO BABOO®

"A Big Little Bead™ Store"

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THE BIG LITTLE BEAD™ NEWS



November 2009

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Yes, it is time to start your holiday projects and shopping. We're designing lots of new samples to inspire you! And our boutique is already overflowing with lovely items for holiday gift-giving. When you are planning your holiday shopping, don't forget that Thursday is "late night" - we are open until 7:00 pm. And, we are open on Sunday (12-4) and Monday (10-5), too!

BABOO® BEADS!

Glass Bead Strand Special. It's time to jump start your holiday jewelry projects. To get you motivated, we've put together a special collection of first quality Czech glass bead strands for only \$4.00 each. Choose from over 100 different colors and styles. Most of the strands are long enough to make a bracelet or combine 2 or 3 for a necklace! You'll even have a few left over to make a pair of matching earrings. Hurry in - this special promotion ends on December 1 or when the beads sell out - whichever comes first!

Holiday Earring Kits include all the beads to make a cute pair of Christmas Trees, Angels, Stack 'O Presents or Snowmen (kits do not include findings). Most are Swarovski crystal and, great news, many of the kits are lower in price than last year. All priced under \$10.00!

NEW LAMPWORK BEADS

We're really excited about our new collection of Grace Lampwork Beads. These American-made, artisan lampwork glass beads are beautifully designed and come in a variety of shapes - lentil, roundel, crystal and pillow. All come in coordinated sets of 5 to 7 beads and matching focal beads are available, too. The beads in each set average in size from 12mm to 15 mm and the focal beads are 18mm to 35mm. Bead Sets \$25 to \$35. Focal beads \$14 to \$20.

HOLIDAY HOURS!

We are open 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
and 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Thursday.
12:00-4:00 on Sunday

Thanksgiving: Closed at 3:00 Wednesday, November 26
and all day on Thursday, November 27

Christmas: Closed all day on Thursday, December 24,
and Friday, December 25

New Year's: Closed at 3:00 on Thursday, December 31
and all day on Friday, January 1

TOOLS AND GADGETS

We have the **rubber cording and heat shrink tubing** for the Beaded Bangle and Deco necklace projects in Marcia DeCoster's new book *Beaded Opulence*. This book has been wildly popular and it features two dozen spectacular jewelry designs utilizing the versatility of right angle weave. (In case you missed the book review in our last newsletter, we are repeating it on page 2.) Rubber cording \$1.00 per foot and heat-shrink tubing 25¢ per inch.

The **Bead Tube Tower** portable bead-tube storage system is terrific. It measures 8" x 16" when closed, stands upright for display and folds easily for storage and travel. It holds 138 small tubes (3" Delica size), 69 large tubes (6" Japanese seed bead size) or a combination of both. Accommodates tubes up to 9/16" diameter. \$12.99

The **Bead Oracle** is a credit card sized reference tool that fits in your wallet. It handily answers many of your bead questions on the spot - how many beads you need for your project, bead size, bead size comparison, wire gauge conversion chart and seed bead sizes. Only \$2.00.

Flex-Rite beading wire is now available in 16 fabulous, fashionable colors. Fun and affordable, the professional quality 49 strand is only \$10.00 for a 30 ft spool.

Many of you have asked for **Linked Bracelets** with blanks for gluing. Available in silvertone and goldtone, they are great for gluing flat back stones and beads, buttons and more. Only \$3.00 and \$3.50 each.

Terri Gable is featured on Monkeysee.com demonstrating basic bead stringing, earring making, hand knotting and peyote, brick and herringbone stitches. Go to monkeysee.com, and search beading.

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THE BOUTIQUE AT STUDIO BABOO®

We filled the boutique with great holiday gift items.

Stunning **Krystal Kissing Balls** are sure to sell out quickly. The large sparkly crystal ornament is topped with glittery mistletoe sprays. Each comes with the story of the mistletoe. \$24.95

Sweet Little Soaps are lavishly decorated with dried flowers, little frogs or Christmas bells and tied with a festive bow. Wonderful as a secret Santa or hostess gift or even for your own powder room. Singles \$6.95 or stacks of four \$18.95.

A new **Holiday Ornament** is always a welcome gift. This year we have enchanting fairies, richly embroidered balls, glass candy canes and colorful glass icicles. All are priced at \$10.95 and under.

Make a gift of wine more significant with one of our handmade glass **Wine Bottle Stoppers**. Choose from holiday themed Snowman, Christmas Tree, Santa or Ornament or garden critters like Hummingbirds, Frogs, Lady Bugs and Turtles. Priced from \$9.95 to \$12.95.

Irresistibly packaged **Tea and Cappuccino** from Too Good Gourmet combine sweet with spice for a rich indulgent favor. They are a perfect as a hostess or teacher gift or for a neighbor (you know, the one who always lets your dog out when you are away all day). Pair a box of Tea or Cappuccino with our coordinating **Hand Painted Candles** from Tolokoshe. Tea \$2.95, Cappuccino \$3.95. Candles \$16.95 a pair.

A BABOO® BOOK REVIEW

Marcia DeCoster's new book **Beaded Opulence** features two dozen spectacular jewelry designs utilizing the versatility of right angle weave. Start with the Fundamentals chapter to build your skills in this versatile stitch. Then progress on to the remaining chapters each featuring three to five projects on fabric, ropes, armatures, embellishments, curves and layers. A photo gallery of contemporary beadwork using right angle weave provides stunning inspiration for your own creations. \$24.95

HOLIDAY CLASSES

Our November and December classes will to inspire you to create easy-to-make jewelry for holiday gift giving.

Learn to showcase a focal bead in the **Sliding Knot Bracelet** class on November 19. Make a trendy pendant necklace with multiple drops while learning to make a secure wrapped loop in the **Charming Pendant Necklace** class on December 5.

If you were inspired by the display of beaded holiday ornaments by Margaret Brewer, Kerrie's **Beaded Holiday Ornament** class on Saturday, November 21 is a great introduction to this easy technique.

Our **Crystal Bracelet** classes have become a holiday tradition for many of our students - sample two new designs this season. "Parade" on November 28 and "Santa Baby" on December 19.

We only review a few of our many classes in this newsletter so be sure to view our complete class schedule and project photos online!

A general note to everyone: From time to time, we do make mistakes on the printed schedule and online schedule. PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE to register for classes and confirm the date and time.

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET?

Be the first to receive all the Big Little Bead™ News that's fit to print. Sign up for our email newsletter and you will be among the first to receive notice about new beads, books and special events. We will not inundate your mailbox with messages - you can expect a monthly schedule of classes and information about new beads and products. We never sell, share or rent email addresses or any other personal information about our customers. You may remove your name from our email list at any time with our safeunsubscribe feature.

So what are you waiting for? Sign up for our email list next time you are in the store, fill out and mail the coupon below or send a quick email to Terri at baboo beads@aol.com. Look for a sign up box to appear on our website soon.

Join Our Mailing List

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WORKSHOP SCHEDULE - November & December 2009

Advance registration and payment are required to hold your place in class. Materials are not included in the class fee unless otherwise noted. A materials list will be sent to you - read it carefully as some advance preparation may be required before coming to class. If you have any questions about the skill level required for intermediate to advanced level classes, please call us. Class fees are not refundable.

BEAD STRINGING BASICS Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff Fee: \$25.00 (Materials Included)

Date: Saturday, November 7 Time: 10:00-12:00 Date: Thursday, November 12 Time: 5:30-7:30

Learn the basics of creating necklaces and bracelets using the two most popular techniques. We will discuss how to choose the correct type of stringing material as well as the use of a variety of different findings. Students will complete a necklace and bracelet in class. Level: Beginner. Note: The Holiday Bracelet classes are a great alternative to the Basic Bead Stringing Class.

EARRING BASICS Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff Fee: \$25.00 (Materials Included)

Date: Saturday, November 7 Time: 2:00-4:00

Expand your jewelry wardrobe with earrings. Learn to make short, long, clusters and drops. Students will make four pair in class and go home with three pages of diagrams for additional styles. Level: Beginner to Intermediate.

WRAPPED LOOP CHARM BRACELET Instructor: Terri Gable Fee: \$25.00

Date: Thursday, November 5 Time: 5:30-7:30

Take the mystery out of making wrapped wire loops while making a delightful charm bracelet. Students will learn how to handle wire-working pliers properly, discuss the use of various types of wire and the infinite number of ways you can use this simple technique. Level: Beginner. Prerequisite: Patience and a good attitude!

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BEGINNING PEYOTE STITCH Instructor: Kerrie Pierce Fee: \$30.00

Date: Wednesday, November 11 Time: 10:00-2:00

Create a lovely bracelet while learning the basics of this popular and versatile off-loom weaving stitch. Students will learn the basics of flat peyote stitch, how to read a charted pattern, and finishing techniques. Level: Beginner. Prerequisite: Students should be comfortable using a needle and thread.

HERRINGBONE WAVE Instructor: Louise Smith Fee: \$30.00

Date: Saturday, November 14 Time: 10:00-2:00

This stitch is sophisticated enough for experienced beaders while allowing intermediate beaders to add a new stitch to their repertoire. Learn to create undulating flat herringbone and how to size a bracelet with a repeating pattern. This bracelet would look fabulous in everything from the colors of the seashore to fall foliage. Level: Intermediate. Students must be adept at one or more off loom needle and thread techniques

KUMIHIMO BEADED BRAID Instructor: Kerrie Pierce Fee: \$40.00

Date: Wednesday, November 18 Time: 10:00-4:00

Kumihimo is a Japanese word meaning "the gathering of threads". Learn to "gather threads" and complete a 20" necklace by braiding 8 strands of seed beads using a Japanese Maru Dai braiding stand. Level: All. NOTE: Pre-class homework is required.

SLIDING KNOT BRACELET Instructor: Meghan Bryant Fee: \$25.00

Date: Thursday, November 19 Time: 5:30-7:30

have fun with a focal bead while learning an easy, classic macramé knot. You'll love how easy it is to put on your own bracelet with a Chinese sliding knot closure! Level: All

BEADED HOLIDAY ORNAMENT Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff Fee: \$35.00

Date: Saturday, November 21 Time: 10:00-2:00 (Includes book "The Beaded Ornament II")

Learn a new pattern with sparkling crystals and lavish fringe from the Beaded Ornament books series by Laura Jansen. You will create a lacy network of seed beads to cover a holiday ornament for a lavish Victorian look. These ornaments make a wonderful holiday gift, a stunning conversation piece or a magnificent addition to your Christmas tree! Level: Beginner to Advanced. Students should be comfortable using a needle and thread or have basic sewing skills.

BEADS AND LUNCH

Date: Every Tuesday

BEADS & LUNCH - EVERY TUESDAY!

Time: 11:00-2:00

Fee: NONE!

Our classroom space is available every Tuesday for an "open studio" session. Bring a project, your own lunch or snacks and enjoy the company of other beaders. This is not a class but an opportunity to relax and have fun while you work on your bead projects away from the distractions of home and family. No need to sign up - no fee - come and go as your schedule permits.

<u>CRYSTAL BRACELET - "PARADE"</u>	Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff	Fee: \$25.00 (Materials Included)
Date: Saturday, November 28 - "Parade" Time: 10:00-11:30		
Saturday, December 19 - "Santa Baby" Time: 10:00-11:30		
Make a stunning sterling silver and Swarovski pearl and crystal bracelet styled like expensive bracelets you see in catalogs and boutiques. This is a great class for beginners to learn a basic bead stringing technique and, a fun class for intermediate beaders looking for a creative way to spend a few hours on a holiday weekend! Each of our Crystal Bracelet classes features a differently styled bracelet! They are all so fabulous, you'll want to sign up for all of them! Level: All. No previous experience necessary!		
<u>TIN CUP NECKLACE</u>	Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff	Fee: \$25.00
Date: Wednesday, December 2	Time: 10:00-12:00	(Materials Included)
This style became popular when Renee Russo wore a similarly designed necklace in the 1996 film "Tin Cup." Now a classic style, you will learn to create your own necklace of Swarovski crystals and pearls floating elegantly along a fine silk cord. Level: All.		
<u>HOLIDAY HUGS AND KISSES BRACELET</u>	Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff	Fee: \$25.00
Date: Thursday, December 3	Time: 5:30-7:30	(Materials Included)
Design an elegant Hugs 'n Kisses bracelet with Swarovski crystals and pearls while learning a right angle weave technique. Choose to make it in festive Christmas colors or elegant in cool, clear crystal. Once you learn this technique, it's easy to create a casual style with gemstone or glass beads. Level: All		
<u>CHARMING PENDANT NECKLACE</u>	Instructor: Terri Gable	Fee: \$25.00
Date: Saturday, December 5	Time: 10:00-2:00	
A pendant necklace is a timeless fashion accessory. In this class, you will create two updated versions of that classic style. Learn to make basic and wrapped wire loops while creating simple beaded drops and drops combined with charms. Then learn to apply your new skills creatively while making a metal link accented pendant with multiple drops. As a bonus, the instructor will show you how to easily add a clasp to any "by the foot" chain! This technique is easily adapted to making earrings, too. Level: Beginner. Prerequisite: Patience and a good attitude!		
<u>FLOATING BEAD NECKLACE</u>	Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff	Fee: \$30.00
Date: Thursday, December 10	Time: 5:30-7:30	
The beads on this necklace appear to float along intertwined beading wire. This trendy necklace can be casual or elegant depending on your choice of beads. Make a dozen for yourself or one for each of your friends! Level: All. A good class for beginners. No previous experience necessary.		
<u>TREE OF LIFE PENDANT</u>	Instructor: Meghan Bryant	Fee: \$35.00
Date: Saturday, December 12	Time: 10:00-2:00	
Fashion an abundant tree canopy of tiny gemstones and create an intricate root system of delicate wire. This complex-looking pendant is full of character. None are the same nor could they be... Level: All		
<u>WIRE WRAPPED DONUT</u>	Instructor: Terri Gable	Fee: \$25.00
Date: Wednesday, December 16	Time: 10:00-12:00	
Make a bead-embellished wire wrapped pendant that looks like it came from a jeweler's showcase! Learn to make a wire-wrapped loop and how to center a loop on top of the pendant. Level: All. Students must be adept at making a simple wire loop.		
<u>CRYSTAL BRACELET - "SANTA BABY"</u>	Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff	Fee: \$25.00
Date: Saturday, December 19	Time: 10:00-11:30	(Materials Included)
Make a stunning sterling silver and Swarovski pearl and crystal bracelet styled like expensive bracelets you see in catalogs and boutiques. This is a great class for beginners to learn a basic bead stringing technique and, a fun class for intermediate beaders looking for a creative way to spend a few hours on the weekend! Level: All. No previous experience necessary!		

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CLASS REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Register for workshops in person at the store or by telephone with a credit card. To Register by Phone Call: 434-244-2905. Registration will be accepted on a first come basis. Payment in full is required at the time of registration. Advance registration is strongly recommended. Your space in the workshop is not secure until we receive payment. Materials and tools are not included in the class fee unless noted. Class fees are not refundable unless Studio Baboo cancels the class.

A supply list will be mailed to you upon receipt of your registration. Please read it carefully as you may be required to do some advance preparation before coming to class. ALL REQUIRED MATERIALS AND TOOLS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE STORE AND OUR STAFF WILL GLADLY HELP YOU WITH YOUR SELECTIONS. Please purchase your materials ahead of time or arrive early to shop for your materials as no class time is allotted for purchasing materials. The store is open to students one-half hour before early morning classes begin. Samples of the class projects are on display in the store and we encourage you to stop by and see them.

Classes will begin promptly – please be courteous and arrive on time. Unless otherwise specified, classes are suitable for adults and children over the age of 14. No babies, children or unregistered guests are permitted in the workshop.

If the class you wish to take is full, please ask to be put on the waiting list. Or, if you are interested in taking a class that does not fit your schedule, please let us know so we can determine if there is sufficient interest to schedule the class again. You may view our entire workshop schedule and project photos online at www.studiobaboo.com

A NOTE ABOUT CELL PHONES: Please turn off your cell phone while in the classroom. It is disruptive and discourteous to the instructor and students when your phone rings during class. If it is imperative that you stay in touch with family or office while in class, please put your phone on silent mode and let your voice mail take a message. If you must return a call, LEAVE THE CLASSROOM and step outside to return the call. If you miss important instructions while you are absent from the classroom, the instructor cannot be expected to "catch you up" when you return to class.