

STUDIO BABOO®

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THE BIG LITTLE BEAD™ NEWS

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Spring 2010

What a winter! Even though it is snowing (again) as we begin to write this, we know the crocus will poke their cute, colorful heads out of the ground soon. We have many new spring classes to tempt you out of your warm, cozy homes - French beaded flowers, wire work and seed bead projects. The UPS man has diligently continued to deliver packages in spite of the weather (thank you Scott!). We've filled the boutique with new greeting cards, handbags, jewelry and cute gift items. So, it's time to stop hibernating - sign up for a new class, shop for new beads or just drop in and say hello! Visit our website at www.studiobaboo.com for more beady news and the complete class schedule (We can get so much more info on the website!)

BABOO® BEADS

Vintaj Natural Brass is so versatile. Wrap it, bend it, shape it, link it, accent it, layer it, create settings, bails, rings. We added 25 new styles of Vintaj brass findings to our collection. Our many sample projects are sure to inspire you.

More, more, more little **3mm and 4mm fire polished beads**. We've stocked up on the most popular colors and added many new colors - vanilla, lumi finish, iris colors, copper lined, bronze lined, malachite, granite, lapis.

Irregularly faceted chunky and mini **gemstone nuggets** in laboradite, jasper, prehnite, amazonite, tiger eye, sodalite and sunstone - just to name a few.

Gemstone chips are back in stock. Choose from 15 different stones at only \$6.25 for a really long 36" strand!

Natural and stabilized **turquoise** in many shades - green, light blue, soft grey blue and traditional blue and blue-green.

When you need a lot of flash for a little cash choose the unbelievably sparkly **Thunder Polish Chinese Crystals**. We've expanded our collection to include more shapes and sizes. The slight imperfections in color and cut are made up for by their price. Only \$3.50-\$4.75. 3mm, 4mm and 6mm bicones in those cute little bottles for only \$5.99 each.

When only the best will do, don't miss our collection of blindingly brilliant **Swarovski crystals**. Uniquely uniform in color and cut, only Swarovski will add an impressive high-end look to your designs.

Lots of new **focal beads** to wrap in Vintaj filigree, wire wrap, embroider, or just plain string!

Bead tip: When designing with beads that have a flat end (heishi, cubes, tubes) set them apart slightly with seed beads or knots. The necklace will lay better and you will set off the distinct shape of the beads.

OUR HOURS

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

WE ARE NOW OPEN ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY

THE BOUTIQUE AT STUDIO BABOO®

We are revamping our boutique to include more gift items, greeting cards, jewelry and accessories.

Bauble Lulu is an affordable alternative to those expensive add-a-bead bracelets. Beautiful hand-blown glass beads and unique charms offer affordable European inspired style. The interchangeable chains and beads provide the look you want at a price you will love! Bauble Lulu beads fit on popular brand name chains, too! Introductory special: Buy 3 beads and get the bracelet at half price! Beads priced from \$6.50.

Are you tired of your winter wardrobe? Does it need a little boost to get you through to spring? You can easily freshen up your entire wardrobe with a **new handbag**. (And it will carry you through to spring!) Choose from our affordably priced fashion handbags in a rainbow of colors!

Cooking for guests? Don't mess your dress! Cover up in style with one of our **crisp aprons**. Made of heavy-weight, crease resistant fabric with adjustable neck straps for a perfect fit. \$21.95 Serve in style with a **matching oven mitt**. \$8.95

We love our new **greeting cards**. Beautiful art collage styles from Local Wisdom, clever quotes from Borealis Press and crisp, graphic cards and magnets from Quotables. (It's ok to stop in just to read them when you need a laugh.)

Playful **ceramic mugs** with cheerful, colorful designs will warm your hands and tummy as you quietly wish for the end of winter! \$7.95 Special Introductory offer - buy 3 mugs and get the 4th one free! Mix and match.

Brightly colored ceramic tea pots are made with lead-free glaze. Mix and match the components on the **Tea For Me** teapot/teacup - it's just the right size for one person. \$12.95. The **6-Cup Windsor Teapot** is terrific for a crowd (or if you are lucky enough to be Irish, the perfect size for one at teatime). \$15.95

Need a little tea back at the office? Keep one of our **Mini Tea Bag Packs** in your desk. Five individually wrapped premium tea bags for only \$1.50 (Why not tuck a little tea in with a gift of our tea cups and tea pots?)

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BABOO® SPOTS THE TRENDS

The overwhelming jewelry story for spring/summer is **pearls** - pearl ropes, pearl lariats, pearl pendants - mostly white with a few colored accents here and there. We keep telling you pearls never go out of style.

Long rope-length necklaces. Don't wear one but layer two, three or more. Pair ropes of pearls and chain for a classic look; combine pearls and crystals for evening (even though we think crystals are just fine for everyday wear); pile on pearl beaded cord for a casual look.

The **y-necklace/faux lariat** style is gaining popularity. Make yours of pearls and stones, chain and bead, on cord or thread.

Tie a little satin or organza **ribbon** bow on your necklace. Weave ribbon through a chain. Use ribbon across the back of your necklace as a clasp (yes, like those big faux pearl necklaces that were so popular a few years back).

Wrap **open wire circles** and shapes with little stones, weave beads and fine wire across the opening, connect them into your necklace or simply suspend one from a chain and enhance it with charms.

Charms/bobbles/clusters – whatever you call them - wire beads on headpins and string several together between beads on a strand. Lots of fun on a stretch bracelet, too!

The **chunky, bold look** is not about one oversized strand but about combining several moderate sized strands together.

Chain is long, wrapped and layered. Tie chain links between beaded cords. Make a classic chain pendant. Suspend multiple little gemstone pendants from a fine chain. Accent a fine chain with tiny briolettes or roundels.

Vintage style rings are standout look. Select one from our collection from Jan Michaels or create your own with Vintaj components.

NEW CLASSES

You asked for more wire classes and here they are. Learn simple wire skills and become more comfortable with the wiley stuff in Terri's Wire Swirls and Curls on March 3, Wrapped Loop Charm Bracelet on March 13 and Wavy Wire Necklace on March 31. The class fee for Wire Swirls & Curls and Wavy Wire Necklace includes sterling silver wire!

Barb Tilley will show you a more controlled, traditional approach to wire work. For beginners, you can't beat her Wire Swirl Pendant class on March 20. The intermediate Cobra Bail Pendant class is in the afternoon of the same day!

The Helms Chain Maille Necklace with Meghan Bryant on April 17 is a great beginner's introduction to this ancient technique and a great pattern for intermediate students to add to their repertoire.

We've rescheduled three popular classes that filled up fast last time – Loom Weaving on April 3, Hummingbird on April 24, Garden Garland necklace on April 28.

Don't miss Louise Smith's new off loom classes. Make sparkly little Twinkle Beads on March 10, the twisty Spiraling Duet on March 24 and elegant Right Angle Waltz on April 14.

We have two Big Little Bead Events scheduled. Paulette Baron is a nationally known instructor who teaches at many of the big bead shows. She will show you how to use your off loom skills to create fabulous swirls and curls in the Elizabethan Ruffled Bracelet class on May 1 and Pinwheel Garden Necklace class on May 2.

Maggie Meister will join us once again on June 12 and 13 to teach the intricately textured Kilim Bead Necklace and incredibly fabulous Tekla's Cuff bracelet.

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 reschedule the class.

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.

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WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

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: Thursday, March 11 Time: 5:30-7:00 Date: Saturday, March 13 Time: 10:00-11:30
Learn the basics of creating necklaces and bracelets using the most popular stringing technique. 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 in class. Level: Beginner.

EARRING BASICS Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff Fee: \$25.00 (Materials Included)
Date: Thursday, March 25 Time: 5:30-7:00
Expand your jewelry wardrobe with earrings. Students will learn how to make consistently sized wire loops and combine bead components. Students will make three pair of earrings in class. Level: Beginner to Intermediate.

WIRE SWIRLS AND CURLS Instructor: Terri Gable Fee: \$40.00
Date: Wednesday, March 3 Time: 10:00-2:00 Fee includes sterling silver wire
Learn to create free-form wire wave and spiral components, wrapped loop bead links. Have fun combining the components with beads, pearls and charms into a fanciful bracelet. Level: Experienced Beginner. Prerequisite: Students must be adept at manipulating wire into consistently sized, round loops without assistance (as for making earrings)

FRENCH BEADED FLOWERS - BUGS Instructor: Kerrie Pierce Fee: \$50.00
Date: Saturday, March 6 Time: 10:00-4:00
Learn to make Butterflies, Dragonflies and Bumblebees. These little insects make great additions to your beaded flowers or may be turned into fashion accessories for your clothes, shoes or handbags. No experience necessary. As a bonus, this class will include an additional lesson manual and will teach the techniques needed to learn the "Basic Method" which is used to make most French beaded flowers. Level: Beginner to Advanced

FRENCH BEADED FLOWERS - HYDRANGEA Instructor: Kerrie Pierce Fee: \$50.00
Date: Sunday, March 7 Time: 10:00-4:00
Don't be intimidated by all those little flowers! In no time at all you'll have a beautiful Mop-head Hydrangea to show off your talents. Techniques you should know: Round Basic, the Pointed Basic, Continuous Loops, and Lacing. Techniques you will learn: Double, Triple, and Quadruple Loops; and Scalloped edges. Level: Intermediate

TWINKLE BEADS Instructor: Louise Smith Fee: \$30.00
Date: Wednesday, March 10 Time: 10:00-2:00
These sparkly, intricate-looking little beaded beads are full of color and texture. Students will learn to make three variations - a round bead, spacer bead and a bead cap. These easy to make little gems can be created in endless color combinations to add pizzazz to your designs. Level: All. Students should be comfortable using a needle and thread or have basic sewing skills.

WRAPPED LOOP CHARM BRACELET Instructor: Studio Baboo Staff Fee: \$25.00
Date: Saturday, March 13 Time: 1:00-4:00
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!

WIRE SWIRL PENDANT Instructor: Barbara Tilley Fee: \$30.00
Date: Saturday, March 20 Time: 10:00-12:00 Fee includes copper wire
Learn to capture a cameo or cabochon in an elegant swirl of wire. Once you learn these simple wire wrapping techniques you'll be able to turn almost anything into a stylish pendant - even a rock! Level: Experienced Beginner. Students must be adept at manipulating wire into consistently sized, round loops without assistance (as for making earrings).

WIRE WRAPPED PENDANT - COBRA BAIL Instructor: Barbara Tilley Fee: \$30.00
Date: Saturday, March 20 Time: 1:00-4:00 Fee includes copper wire
Advance your wire working skills while making a tailored pendant. This traditional bail-making technique is a perfect to show off a special cabochon. Level: Intermediate. Students must have previous wire working experience which allows them to confidently manipulate wire without kinking, make consistently sized simple wire loops and wrapped wire loops.

SPIRALING DUET Instructor: Louise Smith Fee: \$30.00
Date: Wednesday, March 24 Time: 10:00-2:00
Learn to combine herringbone and right-angle weave in this elegant spiral bracelet. Create fabulous texture with the herringbone section and capture special little beads in the right-angle weave section. Choose a subtle color combination for everyday wear or bold contrasting colors for a lot of fun! Level: All. Students should be comfortable using a needle and thread or have basic sewing skills.

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<u>FRENCH BEADED FLOWERS - CROWN IMPERIAL</u>	Instructor: Donna Dickt	Fee: \$50.00
Date: Saturday, March 27	Time: 10:00-4:00	
It's easy to see why the majestic Crown Imperial is one of the most popular of the fritillarias. Its ring of bright red, orange, or yellow bell-shaped flowers sit atop a leafless stem, wearing a "crown" of upright leaves. The effect is stately and imposing. These beauties will add the crowning touch to your "Dutch Masterpiece". But don't let the appearance of these flowers fool you -- they are very easy to make. Level: Intermediate. Techniques you should know: Round Basic, Pointed Basic, Beading a Stem.		
<u>FRENCH BEADED FLOWERS - PARROT TULIP</u>	Instructor: Donna Dickt	Fee: \$50.00
Date: Sunday, March 28	Time: 10:00-4:00	
The Parrot Tulip will combine many advanced techniques and stretch your artistic talents. For the ultimate challenge try shading in yellow and red to make the classic "Flaming Parrot." Prerequisite: Students should be proficient at round basic, pointed basic, scalloped edges, reverse wrap and lacing .		
<u>WAVY WIRE NECKLACE</u>	Instructor: Terri Gable	Fee: \$40.00 *
Date: Wednesday, March 31	Time: 10:00-2:00	*Fee includes sterling silver wire
Learn to manipulate wire into free-form wave components, hammer and texture the wire, make bead links and assemble all into a necklace that will earn you compliments every time you wear it! Level: All. No previous wire working experience required.		
<u>BEAD LOOM WEAVING</u>	Instructor: Terri Gable	Fee: \$40.00
Date: Saturday, April 3	Time: 10:00-4:00	
While creating a small brooch or pendant students will learn to warp a loom, weave, read a charted pattern, decrease and finish ends. Level: Beginner. Note: A sturdy wooden bead weaving loom is required. Indian-style metal or plastic looms are not suitable for this class.		
<u>KUMIHIMO - ROUND BRAID</u>	Instructor: Kerrie Pierce	Fee: \$40.00
Date: Saturday, April 10	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 preparation is required.		
<u>RIGHT ANGLE WALTZ</u>	Instructor: Louise Smith	Fee: \$30.00
Date: Wednesday, April 14	Time: 10:00-2:00	
Create a fabulous cascading ribbon of right angle weave in this graceful bracelet. The 3mm crystals will waltz delicately around your wrist in this elegant creation. Level: Intermediate. Students must know how to do right angle weave.		
<u>CHAIN MAILLE NECKLACE - HELMS CHAIM</u>	Instructor: Meghan Bryant	Fee: \$35.00
Date: Saturday, April 17	Time: 10:00-2:00	Materials Included
The helms chain is an excellent introduction to chain maille as well as an interesting new pattern for intermediate students. This parallel weave is straightforward and attractive. The instructor will also discuss how to make jump rings. Level: All		
<u>FRUIT OF THE VINE BRACELET</u>	Instructor: Jackie Monticup	Fee: \$30.00
Date: Wednesday, April 21	Time: 10:00-2:00	
Clusters of luscious sun kissed grapes and sparkly leaves hanging from the vine wrap sensuously around your wrist. Fringing and multiple strands are among the techniques you will learn. Level: All. Prerequisite: Students should have basic sewing skills or be comfortable using a needle and thread.		
<u>HUMMINGBIRD</u>	Instructor: Jackie Monticup	Fee: \$65.00
Date: Saturday, April 24	Time: 10:00-4:00	Fee includes materials
Talk about eye-catching! Learn to make a gorgeous 3-dimensional ruby throated hummingbird, flying from a beaded flowers necklace. Looks incredibly complicated, but you can do this- it's easy! Jackie's methods, tips and techniques will guide you through the steps to create this masterpiece. Best of all, you'll get a complete kit with all the beads you need, plus illustrated instructions. Bring your patience and a sense of humor! (Project will not be completed in class.) Level: Experienced Beginner to Intermediate. Prerequisite: Students must be able to do one or more off loom stitches with size 11° seed beads without assistance.		
<u>GARDEN GARLAND NECKLACE</u>	Instructor: Louise Smith	Fee: \$30.00
Date: Wednesday, April 28	Time: 10:00-2:00	
Picture a garland of leaves, vines and flowers twining gently around your neck! In this class students will make a simple small bead necklace and embellish it with flower beads as well as vines and leaves constructed from seed beads. These techniques are simple enough for beginning beaders, but also of interest to intermediate beaders. Level: All. Prerequisite: Students should be able to construct a simple necklace using thread or have basic sewing skills.		
<u>ELIZABETHAN RUFFLED BRACELET</u>	Special Guest Instructor: Paulette Baron	Fee: \$75.00
Date: Saturday, May 1	Time: 10:00-4:00	
Weave this stunning bracelet using interlocking sculptural peyote spirals. As you create this piece "fit for a queen" you will discover the versatility that peyote stitch provides in creating fascinating jewelry designs. Skill Level: Intermediate to Advanced. Prerequisite: Students must be able to do Peyote Stitch WITHOUT HELP.		
<u>PINWHEEL GARDEN NECKLACE</u>	Special Guest Instructor: Paulette Baron	Fee: \$75.00
Date: Sunday, May 2	Time: 10:00-4:00	
Using a variation of flat peyote, learn to add dimension to your work while creating a necklace featuring flowers, spirals, and beaded "curls". Students will work with many sizes of seed beads within the same piece. Skill Level: Intermediate to Advanced. Prerequisite: Students must know Peyote Stitch.		

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2010 Show Schedule

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Studio Baboo® will be at the following shows this season – stop by and say “hi” to John & friends. If you are coming to one of these shows and are looking for something special, give us a call – we’ll bring it for you.

We do our best to provide correct show information, however, occasionally show dates change (and, occasionally, we make a mistake on this list). We have listed the show promoters’ websites here and we encourage you to visit them or call us to confirm dates before traveling long distances to attend a show. Please contact the show promoter for any other information.

The Charlottesville Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Show which was held in the Charlottesville National Guard Armory twice a year has been canceled. Instead, we hope you will visit us at the Augusta Expoland in Fishersville (Waynesboro area).

- March 19-21** Treasures of the Earth, Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show, Richmond Raceway Complex, 600 E. Laburnam Rd., Richmond, VA, Fri. 12-7, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5
- April 9-11** Treasures of the Earth, Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show, Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th Street, Virginia Beach, VA, Fri. 12-7, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5
- July 2-4** Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Shows,** Augusta Expo Land, 277 Expo Road, Fishersville, VA, Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5 www.toteshows.com
- July 16-17** Treasures of the Earth, Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show, Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th Street, Virginia Beach, VA, Fri. 12-7, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5
- Sept. 24-26** Treasures of the Earth, Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show, Richmond Raceway Complex, 600 E. Laburnam Rd., Richmond, VA, Fri. 12-7, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5
- Oct. 16-17** Treasures of the Earth, Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show, Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th Street, Virginia Beach, VA, Fri. 12-7, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5
- Oct. 22-24** Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Shows,** Rockingham County Fairgrounds, Commercial Exhibits Building, 4808 S. Valley Pike, Harrisonburg, VA, (1/2 mile S. of Harrisonburg off I-81 between Exit 240 & 243), Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5 www.toteshows.com

Present this page at the Richmond and Virginia Beach shows and receive a discount off the regular admission. If you need additional admission discount coupons simply photocopy this page or e-mail studiobaboo@embarqmail.com.

** Admission Discount is not available at this show, but if you bring this page to our booth we’ll give you \$1.00 off your purchase!

BEADS AND LUNCH

Date: Every Tuesday

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 bead-ers. 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 – come and go as your schedule permits.

“MAKE IT - TAKE IT”

EVERY DAY!

Can’t seem to focus on your projects at home? You are welcome to work at our “Make It – Take It” table. Weekdays and Thursday evenings are the best times to stop in if you need help and inspiration from our staff. But if Saturday is the only day that suits your schedule, well, that’s fine, too. Our help is free when you are using materials purchased at Studio Baboo.