



February 2010 Newsletter

Dear Stitcher,

It was cold in January but things were hot at In Stitches and we're not cooling down yet. Take a peek at what's happening this month...

We are going to have some fun in February!

February Trunk Show

Please stop in to check out the "Topper Trunk Show" being held February 11-27. Toppers are fun canvases of jerseys, T-shirts and other "tops" that finish into dimensional pieces on a coat hanger. Toppers come in hundreds of designs for just about any occasion or school, etc. you want to commemorate.



We also have great trunk shows scheduled for March and May. Take a sneak peek at the designers' websites to see a sample of what we're bringing your way!

March - Gayla Elliott Designs (www.gaylaelliottdesigns.com)

May - Kelly Clark Designs (www.kellyclarkneedlepoint.com)



Events and News

Classes for Everyone...

Tony Mineri delivered another awesome class last month. His "In the Footsteps of the Pharaohs" both inspired and challenged us to step outside our comfort zones and learn lots of new stitches and techniques. For many of us it was the first time working on congress cloth. Participants from this class will be gathering at the shop periodically to work on the project and share ideas and help.



Help and Canvas Embellishment Classes

Our February Help class is full so we're doing an extra special class in March. We are very excited to have Julia Snyder coming to teach our March Canvas Embellishment and Help Class. Many of you may know Julia from her stitch books...

"176 Amazing Stitches", "Backgrounds & Such" and "Categories for Needlepoint". Julia's latest book, "Darn Fillings" was just released in January at the national TNNa needlepoint market.



A little more about Julia...

Julia Snyder grew up in her local needlepoint store where her mother worked and started stitching at the age of 4. She has designed and taught classes for ANG, EGA, Needlepointers, Destination Dallas Market, TNNa Market, judged at the State Fair of Texas for several years, and been a part of the BeauX-Arts Auction at the Dallas Museum of Art. She has been teaching for the past 14 years and stays busy also writing her books as well as stitch guides for clients and designers including Melissa Shirley, Strictly Christmas, Painted Pony, A Collection of Designs, Ewe Eye & Friends, Raymond Crawford, and The Studio. Julia is looking forward to sharing her expertise with you!

When: March 19th and 20th

Where: In Stitches

This Help Class will be held in two separate sessions, each with a very limited number of seats so that each participant receives the maximum time and attention on his/her project. Bring your current project for help with stitches or pick out something new for Julia to help you create a plan customized to your level and preferences. You can sign up for one or both days. Please call or stop by the shop for more information.

Beginners Class

Our next beginners class will be February 13th from 10AM-12PM. Participants will learn several stitches and techniques on a canvas customized with his/her initial and choice of color. All materials and instruction are included in the class fee.

Other upcoming classes include a Canvas Embellishment and a special project class with David McCaskill in April. Mark your calendars for April 22-25.

Come see what's new at In Stitches...

NEEDLEPOINT INC. SILK

We loved using this thread so much in Tony's class last month that we bought the entire line! Needlepoint Inc. Silk is a fabulous Chinese silk available in a palette of 476 colors. This silk is reeled, not spun, making the filaments longer and of higher quality. If you have never used Needlepoint Inc. Silk you are in for a treat!

To introduce you to this wonderful thread all Needlepoint Inc. Silk will be **20% off** during the month of February.



It won't be long until we see the sun again! So you'll be ready, we have added "Sun Readers" to our selection of Eyebobs, perfect for stitching by the pool or wherever you plan to vacation.



Color T3

Stitch Guides for the Labors of Love clip-on birds are here! We wouldn't let Tony Minieri leave Atlanta after our class last month until he finished creating some really fun stitch and thread guides for our birds. Stitch Guides as well as kitted canvases are available now.



Stitch for Kids

In Stitches is very excited to be part of a program created by our friend and customer Suzanne Godfrey to make needlepoint ornaments for children hospitalized during the holidays.

Our goal is 50 ornaments so we've made it very easy to participate in this special program...

Purchase an ornament kit from In Stitches at cost (\$30) which includes the canvas, threads and finishing.

Stitch the ornament and return it to In Stitches by July 1st to be finished.

All ornaments will be donated to the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Aflac Cancer Center at Egleston to decorate their 2010 Christmas season tree. Hospitalized children will receive one of the ornaments on Christmas Day. We have selected a wide range of ornament designs so that children of all backgrounds are included.

And last, but certainly not least,

A big CONGRATULATIONS! to all of our stitchers who participated in and received ribbons for their fabulous creations at the annual Callaway School of Needle Arts in January.

Our Website

Don't forget to visit our website! www.InStitchesAtlanta.com

Thank you for your continued support and for allowing us to be your choice for everything needlepoint!

Keeping you **In Stitches**,

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