

Panda's Crossing

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Shop Hours

I want to remind everyone that our hours are:

Tuesday – Friday 11am-6pm
Saturday 10am-5pm

During the week our register will close at 6:00pm. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. We will be open late for shopping on all Bead Club and UFO Nights.

Yet again, we have LOTS of wonderful stuff planned for you.

- The **My Big Toe Designs** cross stitch trunk show will be here thru July 10th. Their patterns range from Scripture and Inspirational – to really funny. They also have some nice beaded stitching accessories.
- Some of you will remember in February that we had a Semi-Precious trunk show, with very little notice. Well, Paul is coming back! He will be here on Saturday, June 26th, from 10am-4:30pm. He has some new Semi-Precious and Freshwater Pearls to show us. He always has wonderful product, and his prices are good. I had purchased lots of unique things from him over the years. This is a one day only event, so you won't want to miss it. VIP discounts will not apply to the trunk show products.
- I am currently working on another trunk show for the beaders. More information to follow.
- I just want to point out to everyone that the shop will be closed on July 22nd and 23rd. That's a Thursday and Friday. We will definitely be open for that Saturday. Please don't anybody freak out.
- The tentative dates for future retreats:
Bead Retreat – August 6th and 7th – Info will be going out soon.
Stitch Retreat – October 1st and 2nd – The theme is TGIF "Thank God It's Fall".

Directions To The Shop

If you are heading south on I-385, go to exit 31. This is the Hwy 417/Simpsonville/Laurens Rd exit. It is also the Toll Road exit. Stay to the right so you don't get on the toll road. There's a red light at the bottom of the exit ramp. Turn right towards Mauldin. We are located ½ mile on the left at The Shoppes at 400 S. Main.

If you are heading north on I-85, get off at the Laurens Rd exit heading towards Mauldin(exit 48-A). Go through Mauldin, past the main light that crosses Butler Rd, then take the left fork when the road splits. That takes you over a bridge towards Simpsonville. We will be on the right about 1 mile down.

VIP Club

Do you know about our VIP Club? The cost is \$30.00 and you get 10% off all your classes and purchases, excluding gift certificates, consignment beads, and a few other items, for a full year from your sign-up date. Ask about it the next time you are in the store.

Panda's Crossing Return Policy

No Refunds. Exchange or store credit will be honored only if accompanied by its receipt, and in resalable condition. You must return item(s) within 30 days of your receipt. Books, magazines, patterns, fabric, and special orders are not returnable.

Bead Club

The first Tuesday of every month is when our bead club meets. The meetings start at 6:00pm. We take turns teaching everyone...something. Everyone is welcome, and there is no fee for attending. Call us to find out what you need to bring, if anything. You don't have to participate with the planned project, however. You are welcome to work on your latest project and visit. You are encouraged to bring jewelry you've made to show it off. We have lots of fun. Come join us!

Special Note: If you would like to start attending our Bead Club, and would like to be notified by email about monthly projects, please come in and put your name on our special email list.

Stitch Club

The second Friday of every month is typically when our stitch club meets. If you think you would like to join us, please come. We meet at 6:00pm. It is a very fun group! Please check the calendar to be sure that we haven't changed the date.

3rd Friday Stitch Group

This is a recently formed group of stitchers who are interested in working on select projects together. Anyone who is interested in these projects is welcome to join, but you just have to let me know, in advance, so I can be sure to have the materials here for you. If you would like to see the projects just come in and take a look.

UFO Night

UFO stands for **Un**Finished **O**bjects. It is really just an excuse to get together and play. This gives you an opportunity to work on one of your beading or cross stitch projects and visit with others. It starts at 5pm. Come on down!!! We are open late for shopping on UFO Night.

Cross Stitch Finishing

I am VERY happy to announce that we have a new finisher. Her name is Wendy Austin, and she does absolutely fabulous work! We have samples of her work here. Please come in and look them over, and check out her prices.

Framing

Since framing is not my forte, I have worked out an agreement with, in our opinion, the best framer in the upstate. Everyone who we've talked to that has taken their needlework there, or seen pieces framed by David raves about his work. The shop name is **Laurel Creek**, and is located on Cleveland St., downtown. They have had lots of experience

framing needlework. If you let them know you are a Panda's Crossing customer they will give you a 10% discount on your framing order.

Laurel Creek
121 Cleveland St.
Greenville, SC 29601

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Classes

Below you will find descriptions of the classes we are offering for this schedule. Due to health reasons, we must cut back on our evening class offering, so please sign-up early as some of our classes fill-up quickly. To be fair to all class participants, and instructors, we have instituted some new rules for class participation.

Class Policies:

- 1) Payment is required at time of sign-up. If you need to cancel, please call us as soon as possible. With a 24 hr. cancellation, you will receive a shop credit for the class fee. If your cancellation is less than 24 hours, or you fail to show up for the class, there will be no credit or refund.**
- 2) If we have to cancel a class, you will receive shop credit for your class fee, and we will make every effort to reschedule.**
- 3) If you are more than 5 minutes late to a class, you cannot take the class, and your fee will be forfeited. You are welcome to come early for classes and shop. It is not fair to everyone else, who got there on time, to wait for latecomers to arrive, pick-out colors, and get settled.**
- 4) Because some people are sensitive to certain scents, please be careful about applying perfumes and body lotions the day of the class. Some people have allergic or asthmatic reactions.**
- 5) Please turn the ringer off on your cell phone during class. It is distracting to others when cell phones ring, or people talk on their phones during class.**
- 6) Please bring magnification or additional lighting if you need them.**
- 7) If a class requires a book or magazine, please let us know when you sign up for the class if you need us to order it for you.**

We, and your fellow class participants, appreciate your cooperation with these policies.

I want to clarify the experience level/prerequisites required for our classes.

Prereq: None – No beading experience required at all. *No further clarification needed.*

Prereq: Some beadweaving experience is required. (Just not your first beadweaving class, but it can be your second.) *Again, no further explanation needed.*

Prereq: Some beadweaving experience. *You need to have taken at least 2 beginning beadweaving classes. Beadweaving uses a needle. This does not include beadstringing or wirework.*

Prereq: Intermediate beadweaving experience. *You have to not only have taken beginning beadweaving classes, but have had a fair amount of experience in beadweaving. You have to have taken some of the "some beadweaving experience" classes and done well at them.*

Most stores will simply take your money, no matter what skill level is required for a given class. Since everyone pays the same amount, it is my policy that everyone needs to be at the same skill level for any given class. We want our classes to be a fun experience for everyone involved, not just make as much money as we can. We will be happy to assist you in determining which classes are right for you.

Arabella Bracelet

This is a wonderfully elegant bracelet! It has a base of 12mm twisted bugles with a colorful fringe of pearls down the center. ***Beadwork December 2009/January 2010 or Beadwork Favorite Bead Stitches is required. If you do not own one of these issues, please let us know when you register.*** Kit includes all materials to complete bracelet.

Prerequisite: Must know peyote and have an intermediate level of beadweaving experience.

Cost: \$40.00

Beadstringing Class

Create a three-strand bracelet and learn the proper use of the crimp tool. Kit includes beads and instructions.

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$25.00

Beginning Peyote Bracelet

Karen has come up with a new project for our beginning peyote class. You will be making a patchwork bracelet using peyote cubes. I really like the project...I think you will too. Kit includes all materials and instructions.

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$35.00

BWBB! (Boogie Woogie Bugle Bracelet)

Twisted bugles are inserted between Ndebele herringbone stitches. Graduated lengths of seed beads lend a graceful taper to each end. ***Bead & Button magazine -August 2007, is required. If you do not already own this magazine, please let us know when you register.*** Kit includes all materials needed to complete this bracelet.

Prerequisite: Must know herringbone stitch and have some beadweaving experience.

Cost: \$35.00

Crystal Burst Ring/Pendant

Many of you have asked for a class where you would use peyote to encase a cabochon. Well, here is a crystalicious starting point! You can use this finished item as a ring, or stitch a peyote bail to it and wear it as a pendant. In addition to encasing a rivoli in peyote stitch, this project also has 2 rows of crystals surrounding the rivoli...hence the name "Crystal Burst". ***Creating Crystal Jewelry with Swarovski by Laura McCabe is required for this class. If you don't already own this book please let us know when you sign-up for class.*** This book is packed with useful tips and pointers for working with rivolis or other crystal components. This book is a must for your beadweaving book collection.

Prerequisite: Must be proficient in even-count peyote and have an intermediate level of beadweaving experience.

Cost: \$40.00

Crystal Butterfly Bracelet

This was one of the projects we made at the Beader's Retreat. It is beautiful. You will be using four colors of 4mm Swarovski crystals and 11/0 seed beads to create this masterpiece. It is also stunning in a single color. Kit includes all materials and instructions.

Prerequisite: Some beadweaving experience

Cost: \$40.00

Delicate Delica Cross

As the name indicates, this is a beautiful, delicate cross. You will be using delicas and 3mm fire-polish for this project. It would be great as a gift for Mother's Day, graduation, confirmation...or just for yourself. You could even add this to a ribbon and turn it into a bookmark. You must bring your own magnification if you need it for close-work or reading.

Prerequisite: Must be proficient in even count peyote.

Cost: \$35.00

Earrings 101

Make 2 different styles of beaded earrings. Basic wire-wrapping and other techniques will be learned during this class. Many earring examples will be available for viewing, and techniques used to make them will be explained. Kit includes all materials. You may want to bring your own basic set of tools with you to class. This is a 2 hour class.

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$30.00

Eternity Rings

This pendant consists of two entwined circles made out of delicas. And it even has it's own bail. Kit includes all materials and instructions.

Prerequisite: Must know right-angle weave and peyote for this class.

Cost: \$35.00

Flat Herringbone Bracelet

You will make a bracelet using the flat herringbone stitch. Kit includes beads and instructions.

Prerequisite: Some beadweaving experience is required. (Just not your first beadweaving class, but it can be your second.)

Cost: \$30.00

Floral Chevron Chain

This bracelet uses the traditional triangular shapes of the chevron chain, but adds fire-polish and pearls to form the flowers. ***Bead & Button -April 2007 is required. If you do not own this issue, please let us know when you register.*** Kit includes materials to complete the project.

Prerequisite: Intermediate beadweaving experience

Cost: \$40.00

Floral Spiral Bracelet

This new bracelet design adds an extra twist to the spiral rope with lots of yummy embellishments. You will be choosing one of three colorways...but you will want to make them all!

Prerequisite: Spiral Rope

Cost: \$40.00

Grace's Choker

Almost everyone who has seen this fabulous choker wanted to know what it's called so they could look for it on the schedule and sign-up. So...a name was born!!! This elegant design uses Swarovski crystals, glass pearls, and seed beads. Kit includes all material to complete project, and instructions.

Prerequisite: Intermediate beadweaving experience required

Cost: \$45.00

Long May She Wave

This is a fun, even-count peyote bracelet with wavy American flags along its length. This is the perfect time to show your patriotism, or make this for someone who has a loved one in the military. Kit includes all materials necessary to complete this project.

Prerequisite: Must be comfortable with even-count peyote.

Cost: \$35.00

Netted Gem Bracelet

This is a gorgeous wide cuff bracelet!!! It has diagonal stripes of crystals, pearls, and fire-polish, and uses 11/0 seed beads.

Prerequisite: Intermediate beadweaving experience

Cost: \$40.00

Russian Peyote Necklace

This necklace lies beautifully on your neck and utilizes Japanese drops. Kit includes all necessary beads and written instructions.

Prerequisite: Proficiency with even-count peyote

Cost: \$45.00

Russian Spiral

Learn this wonderful "netted" spiral stitch and make a gorgeous bracelet. Kit includes beads and instructions.

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$35.00

Skinny Crystal Bracelet

Deborah Roberti has come out with a wonderful bracelet pattern in RAW (right-angle weave). You will learn a new stitch, and make a wonderful crystal bracelet and easily finish it during class. This is the perfect summer bracelet and everyone you know will want their own. Kit includes all materials and instructions.

Prerequisite: Some beadweaving experience is required. (Just not your first beadweaving class, but it can be your second.)

Cost: \$40.00

Spiral Rope Bracelet

Learn the basics of beading with the spiral rope stitch. This is a wonderfully versatile stitch. You will be making a bracelet. This technique has endless variations. Kit includes beads and instructions.

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$35.00

Supple Herringbone Rope

Learn tubular herringbone using delicas and bugle beads in S/L Crystal or S/L Gold. This pattern, and beads used, makes a beautiful and elegant bracelet or necklace. You will be making a bracelet in class. ***Bead & Button magazine-June 2006 issue is required. If you do not own this issue, please let us know when you register.*** Kit includes all materials needed to complete the bracelet.

Prerequisite: Flat Herringbone

Cost: \$30.00

Taj Mahal Earrings

A friend of mine made me a pair of these earrings and every time I wear them I get requests for a closer look. They really are gorgeous! You'll be using crystals, fire-polish, seed beads and drops to make these earrings. The kit includes all materials needed to complete a pair of earrings.

Prerequisite: Intermediate beadweaving experience required.

Cost: \$35.00

Thing-A-Ma-Jig

Learn a variety of techniques and get lots of ideas for using this wonderful tool to bend wire and incorporate these shapes into your designs. Liz will also show you how to use common household items to shape your wire. You will need to bring your own Thing-a-ma-jig and tools. We will be providing the wire...and Liz!

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$25.00

Tiny Bubbles

Previously this class was called *Cubes and Stuff*, but I modified the bracelet and changed the name. Now this bracelet is thinner and uses a metal push-pull clasp. It is loads of fun to make and gets lots of comments. You will be using cube and drop beads to make this bracelet. Kit includes beads and instructions.

Prerequisite: Some beadweaving experience is required. (Just not your first beadweaving class, but it can be your second.)

Cost: \$35.00

Tree of Life

Yet again, Rebecca has made an absolutely fabulous pendant using wire and semi-precious stone chips. You have to come in to see just how great this project really is. It's very organic! (This was a Bead Retreat project.)

Prerequisite: Earrings 101, or equivalent

Cost: \$30.00

Wire Wrapped Pendant

Take a semi-precious bead, add some wire and possibly a few other tidbits, and you have a gorgeous pendant! It's a treat to watch Rebecca create her wire treasures, but now she has agreed to show us how to do it too. You must bring your own tools. Kit includes beads and wire.

Prerequisite: Earrings 101, or equivalent

Cost: \$35.00