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I do it in Glass...Let's do it Together - leadlights . lampshades . mosaics . stepping stones

FROM THE DIRECTORS CHAIR

Do It Together! The key to staying active within your hobby or interest is 10% inspiration and 90% motivation. Let your passion drive the motivation within you to find ways of being honest to your chosen hobby. Remember it's **your** time out, whether it's away from the kids, time out of the office or maybe just because you want to. It's enjoyable it's satisfying and you love doing it - great. Find ways to indulge your passion, get together with other hobbyists one night a week or while the kids are at school. Email each other photos and designs of projects, show off your triumphs and stay inspired. Become part of a social group who enjoy the same warm feeling of belonging to a creative, motivated, passionate circle of good friends all enjoying the satisfaction of life. So stay honest and true - "I do it in glass, Let's do it together."

Stephen Brodribb - Managing Director Leadlight Products New Zealand

EDITOR'S SCORE

It's great to be back! I am now in-store on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and I must say it is wonderful to be back in the company of the Leadlight Products team and to see all you creative people once again. Graham has told me the Glass Art Competition is definitely creating a buzz around the country, there are some awesome glass works from which to choose the winner's. Don't forget that we need you to visit the showroom to have your say on the people's choice award - the photos will be on display during May come and have your vote! The term 2 timetable is out and circulating, due to demand I have added a Keep On Leadlighting Weekend Workshop for all those out of towners' thirsty for more guidance. It will be held on the 18/19 June - I suggest you book early to avoid disappointment. See you there or in-store. *Regards, Di*

Earn Extra Cash Tutoring

Leadlight Products Hamilton is holding a free discussion seminar for those of you who are keen to take your hobby to the next step, earn some extra money and share your passion for glass art. We are often approached by local High Schools asking if we would teach night classes at their premises. As we have no spare tutors, we have decided to offer you a free discussion seminar aimed at providing you with the contacts at the high schools, teaching ideas and other resources. This workshop will be held on Monday 16 May 7.00 to 9.00pm, at Leadlight Products' Hamilton Studio, phone Di on 858 4390 for more info or the office to book you place, on 847 9213.



NEW OPENING HOURS

Leadlight Products' Hamilton store is opening late night Wednesday till 7pm during the months of April & May. This is a trial period only, so if these new hours are taken advantage of, they will become permanent. So come along for great service and friendly advice on Wednesday nights till 7pm, from the 6th April. See you there!! *Amanda*

Manufacture Department Madness

The Manufacture Department is back in full swing with David Brown (aka Tractor) back at Leadlight Products, creating fabulous leadlight panels for this still ever popular art form. Tractor has been working in the Leadlight Industry around New Zealand for the past 21 years and brings a wealth of knowledge to our manufacture department, and to new leadlight trainee Amber who started last month. Amber completed a couple of leadlight classes here at Leadlight Products and loved it so much she wanted to make a living out of it - and with the 8 panel leadlight for the Tirau Information Centre taking up much of the bench space and Tractors time, Amber was offered the opportunity to turn her hobby into a profession, so she is now completing repairs and new leadlights under Tractor's guidance. So if you are stuck on any part of your leadlight project and need some quick advice Dave will be happy to help, just phone the office and we will put you through!!

EASY STEPS TO SUCCESS!

"I finished my Glass Stepping Stone" was the happy cry of Denny McVae at Di's Stepping Stone 1-day workshop held in March. Denny had confessed to Di earlier in the day that she was guilty of not completing past projects, but this wasn't to be the case at the workshop. Di says "That's the great thing about DiamondCrete - it is ready to remove from the mold in only 1 hour. DiamondCrete is really strong so you don't need any added reinforcing. Prepare your glass as you would for an in-direct method mosaic. Pour the DiamondCrete into the mold and in 1 hour you have an awesome Glass Stepping Stone!"

Leadlight Products Hamilton and Glassworks both offer a Stepping Stone Workshop in Term 2. Di says "Coming to the workshop is the best way to learn how to make them. We focus on design and glass cutting too. It's like all the other courses, where you get to learn the extra tips and tricks". If, however you want to create a stone at home, Di has prepared an information sheet which is available in-store to help you.



Proud of their days effort, from left: Veronica Maxey, Himoana Penitito, Karen Nolley, Denny McVae and Pamela Prier

SPECTRUM BAROQUE



IS GLASS OF THE MONTH! 20% off this stunning Spectrum Glass Range for the months of April & May. Don't miss out on this deal!

FOR SALE!!

Cancelled Order!

This Diamond Laser 3000XL has a variable motor speed & the cutting table can be tilted for bevelled cuts, among other features.

RRP \$1,995.00.

Super Sale Price \$895.00.

Ph Graham for more info.



Wonderful World of Importing

Wharfie strikes in America, shipping boats breaking down and language barriers prove to be a challenging experience when importing goods from overseas, but here at Leadlight Products it's just another day. We currently have an order sailing over the Pacific Ocean due to hit our sunny shores in the next couple of weeks.



This shipment holds the ever important Spectrum Red (code: GSP3571) that many glass mosaic hobbyists have been hanging out for. Our next big shipment from the States is not until later this year but a smaller one will arrive before then laden with a couple of new products. We are

currently sourcing from America the "Glasspro Drill Brush" for use on a hand-held electric drill for polishing your leadlights and the "Glass Gripper" aka "Griffy" this is a German Tool which securely holds glass as small as 6mm for grinding. We will let you know when these exciting new tools arrive! We are always looking at new glass our suppliers are releasing, if you have spied any glass anywhere and would like us to import it for you then call me to discuss it.

Graham Kennedy
General Manager

Leadlight Products New Zealand

Taurus Demo @ Glassworks Continues

Hi everyone, Welcome to all our new Glassworks customers and students. We trust you will enjoy the world of glass as much as we do and thank you all so much for putting up with the inconvenience of the council and the major road works that is happening out the front of Glassworks at the moment. Exciting News Flash Graham has relented and we have the Taurus Ring Saw for another month - how fantastic!! This tool/machine can cut the most amazing shapes and after going to the awesome Martinborough Fair we have been inspired to cut spirals in shimmer glass - they are stunning to say the least!! The Glass Art competition is going to be a hard one to judge you all have fantastic imagination's, we are glad we don't have to choose a winner. All the finalists photos will be on display in store during May for public voting so please come and have a look and place your vote! Keep Up the Creativity.

Regards, Michelle & Donna



DIAMONDCRETE OFFER

25% Discount off a large box of Diamondcrete when you purchase a large reusable mold of any shape.

Information sheets on creating a successful Glass Stepping Stone are in-store now.



PHOTO GALLERY

Keep On & Start Up Leadlighting students are happy to be at Glassworks proudly displaying their creations. Clockwise from left: Stephen & Roseanne with tutor Donna, Melissa with her new leadlight, Fiona and Rudy with their Start Up Leadlighting creations and Chris with lampshade.



Bookworm!

Stained Glass Mosaics (Shannon, Torlen & Torlen) is a great book filled with 23 projects from pots to wall mirrors to stepping stones. This book is great for beginners who want to try their hand at a number of Glass Mosaic applications. This book is available for \$39.95 (retail) at both Glassworks Palmerston North & Leadlight Products Hamilton

