





PAPER BAG JOURNALS

August 25th :: Participants: 10



Val led us through the very cool process of creating a pocket journal out of several paper bags; at each step, youth could embellish, adapt, and design their unique style with fancy paper tags and access unlimited embellishments. Val's workshops always include a step-by-step approach; things must be measured, cut and assembled in a certain way. We get to use unique tools of the trade: special punches, creases, stamps, styles of patterned paper, etc. The final stage is the embellishments and seeing everyone's unique style.

OUTCOMES:

- -Focus and engagement to follow instructions.
- -No one ever wants to leave!
- -Create something special to take home and use.







HOLIDAY CARDS

December 4 :: Participants: 10

This program was for adults and older teens. Val walked us through creating 4 to 5 unique holiday cards. You could follow along with Val's method or add flair to it. Some people liked not thinking and walking through the steps; others got creative and added and adapted. It was a quiet, relaxing, festive evening event enjoyed by all.









FEEDBACK:

The activity was clearly laid out and guided. All materials were supplied and available in sufficient amounts for all participants.

- -The chance to gather, to be creative, and receive Val's instruction
- -The event provided a lovely evening being creatively engaged while visiting with other participants. The instructor was well prepared and guided the participants through the process of creating several holiday cards. Within the framework set out by the instructor there was lots of room for personal creativity.
- -This was a lovely opportunity to gather and feel a sense of community. I appreciate that it was free.
- -More early evening or weekend crafting for adults!

OUTCOMES:

- -Time to relax and be creative amidst the busy holiday season.
- -Creating something unique and special.