



February 2012

A challenge for 2012

In view of the fact that three of our beaders have been published in bead magazines we felt it might be good fun if, in 2012, Bead Base beaders tried to get as many projects as possible published. Usually this means nothing more than e-mailing a photo of something you have made with a little description and wait with baited breath to see if they publish it! However a few magazines run fun competitions that you can enter, again by sending a photo of your work. When you have had a piece of work published, let us know and we will add a picture of the piece to our new photo montage 'Hall of Fame'. At the end of the year the person with the most published items will win a £20 Bead Base voucher.

Race 4 Life

This year, The Bead Base is hoping to put together a team for Race 4 Life, taking place on the 20th of June. We, as well as many others, have been affected by breast cancer, and we would like to do something to show our support.

If you would like to join our team, please let us know. If we get a large interest, we will think about printing t-shirts, so get your thinking caps on for a team name. Holly has already put forward The Bead Base Boob Squad.

New beads

New AB shell strands, copper and silver plated glass beads, foil glass short strands, new diamante charms, Lucite flowers and leaves and new gemstone are now in stock. We are always increasing our range of Delicas and seed beads so keep an eye on those, as well as our popular seed bead mixes. Miyuki triangle beads and Tila beads are also now in stock.

In the coming months we will be increasing our volume of Swarovski crystals to offer you bags of 100. Factory packs can also be sourced, priced and ordered on request. For 4mm, the pack contains 1440 crystals, 6mm contains 360 crystals, and 8mm packs contain 288 crystals. Factory packs are not available as a mixed pack, if you order one, it will come as a single colour and size, so choose wisely if you are thinking of ordering one.

Bead and Banter

Come and join us for an evening of beading and jewellery making at The Bead Base. Meet with other beading enthusiasts to exchange tips and ideas. Bring projects to finish or maybe start something new!

Dates for the next two Bead and Banter evenings are:

Wednesday 29th February

Wednesday 28th March

Classes

Saturday 4th February – Peyote 101 Day

£18 10.30am start

Peyote 101 Day

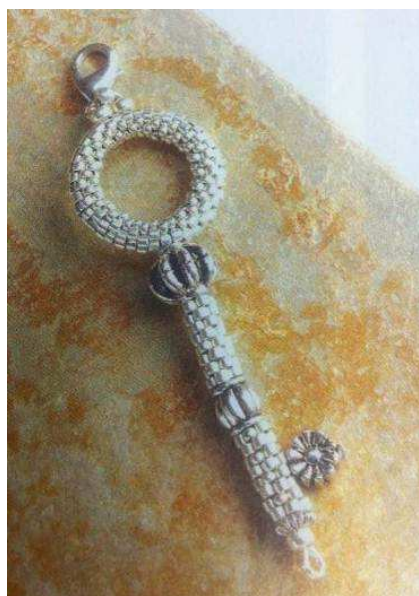
This class will be all day and will incorporate peyote stitch in all its forms. From flat even count, odd count, tubular and spiral. You will make a peyote key, and a tubular necklace with flat peyote embellishment.

Class requirements:

Size 11° Delicas in a variety of colours
Size 11° seed beads in a variety of colours
Nymo
Beading needle

Peyote Key

1g size 15° seed beads
2g size 11° Delicas
4x size 8° seed beads
A small variety of spacer beads
1x headpin
1x lobster clasp
1x jump ring
Nymo
Beading needle



Saturday 11th February – Tiara

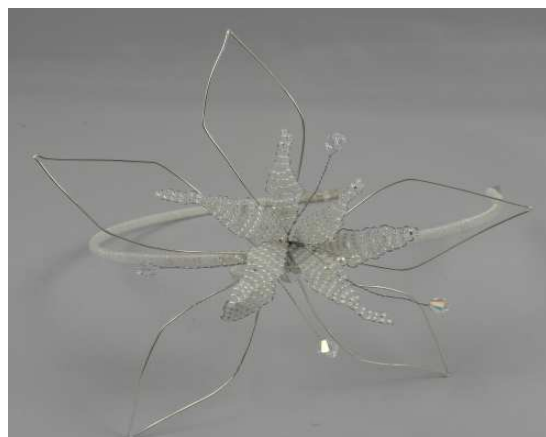
£20 10.15am

We have an example of this very pretty tiara in the shop.

Class requirements:

A tiara band (supplied)
0.6mm wire (supplied)
0.4mm wire (supplied)
Seed beads size 6°, 8° or 11°
Organza ribbon

Please note that this could also be adapted and used for a fascinator, headband or brooch.

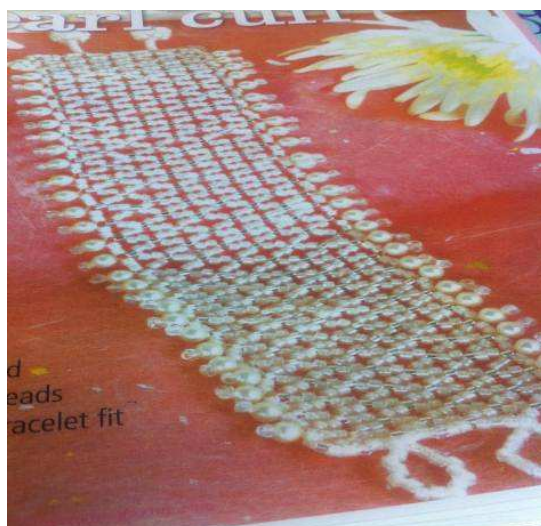


Saturday 11th February – Netted Pearl Cuff

£12 1pm

Class requirements:

10g Delicas colour A
10g Delicas colour B
102x 4mm glass pearls
100x 3mm crystals
Needle
Nymo



Saturday 18th February – Cabled bracelet

£12 1pm

Class requirements:

Size 11° seed beads:

-5g colour A

-3g colour B

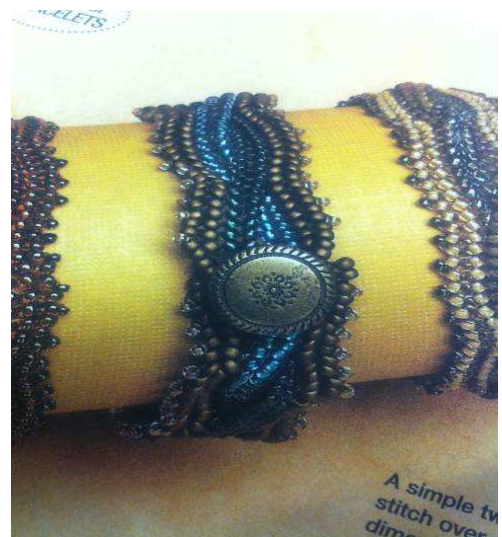
-3g colour C

2g size 15° seed beads

5/8 inch shank button

Nymo

Needle



Saturday 25th February – Arabesque bracelet

£12 10.15am and 1pm

(Suitable for beginners)

Class requirements:

24x 6mm bicone crystals (colour D)

4 mm bicone crystals:

-12x colour A

-34x colour B

-24x colour C

3g size 11° seed beads

3g size 15° seed beads

2x 4mm jump rings

Clasp

Nymo

Needle



Saturday 3rd March – Peyote 101 Day (all day)

£18 10.30am start

As above

Saturday 10th March – Triangle bead chainmail

£12 10.15am

Class requirements:

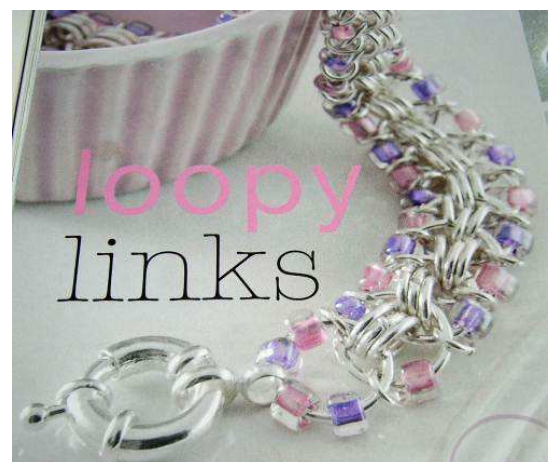
25x 12mm jump rings

69x 7mm jump rings

48x 5mm jump rings

54x Miyuki Triangle beads

Clasp



Saturday 10th March – Rosebud corsage

£12 1pm

Class requirements:

5g size 15° seed beads (colour A for the buds)

2g size 15° seed beads (colour B for the edge of the buds)

5g size 15° seed beads (colour C for the stems)

5g size 11° hex-cut Delicas (colour D for the quiver)

6x size 6° seed beads (colour matching A)



5x 4mm cube beads (colour matching D)
Stick pin and protector
Nymo
Needle

Saturday 17th March – Zig Zag and Scallops necklace
£12 10.15am and 1pm

Class requirements:

Size 11° seed beads
6mm glass beads or pearls
Nymo
Needle



Saturday 24th March – Simple spiral

£12 10.15am
(Suitable for beginners)

Class requirements:

Size 11° seed beads in two colours
Clasp
Nymo
Needle



Saturday 24th March – Sparkly ‘Slug’ bracelet

£12 1pm
(Suitable for beginners)

Class requirements:

2 tubes of size 6° seed beads (for the base)
2 tubes of a seed bead mix – or – A variety of different size seed beads to make your own mix
A variety of crystals (we recommend no larger than 6mm)
OPTIONAL - A variety of small beads to match your mix (cubes, chips, pearls, etc.)
A sliding clasp
Nymo
Needle

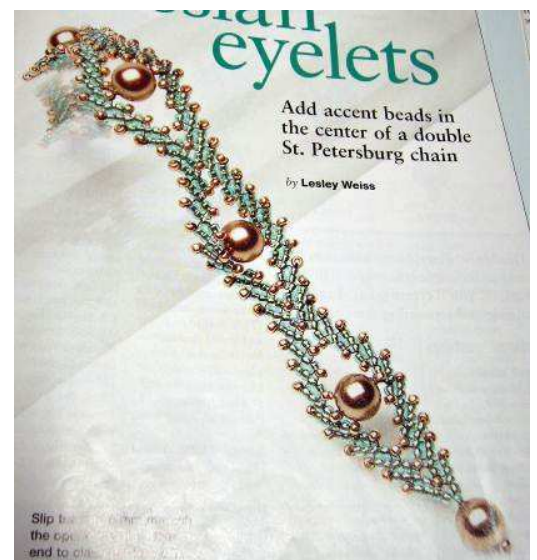


Saturday 31th March – Russian Eyelet bracelet (St. Petersburg stitch)

£12 1pm

Class requirements:

5x 8mm glass pearls
Size 11° seed beads:
-5g colour A
-3g colour B
Nymo
Needle



If anyone wishes to learn the basics; how to make earrings, finish off bracelets and necklaces, or has any query about 'how to' anything, please ask Sue or Holly and we can arrange a personal tutorial at a time to suit you.

Please note that although we advertise most of our classes as bracelets you can continue working on most projects to extend the length to necklace size.

Please also be aware that our classes fill very rapidly, some are booked now into April! If you are desperate to do a class that has been filled we will do our best to sort an alternate day.

Would all class members please leave a phone number with Sue or Holly so that you may be contacted should a class be cancelled for any reason.

If you have reserved a place on a class but have not paid could you please do so 7 days prior to the class or phone 7 days prior to confirm your attendance. If you fail to do so your place in the class may be offered to another on our waiting lists. Thank you.