

Letter Perfect

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March Meeting

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Zenspired Tunnel Book

With Yvonne Perez-Collins, March 11, 2017

An enthusiastic group gathered to make a tunnel card, led by Yvonne Perez-Collins. Yvonne had everything we needed to make this unique card structure. Her instructions were clear in assembling the pieces that she had prepared in kits. The card is a number of arches held apart by a series of folded pieces to add distance between the arches.

Yvonne showed us a fun and easy way to fill in the “dangles” (our decoration) by doing all of one color at a time. Then going through the design again with another color. Soon, all the dangles were filled in and we were ready to assemble our card. Yvonne mentioned that her inspiration for the decoration was partly from Joanne Fink’s “Zenspirational Dangles” - unique patterns that add texture and interest to any design.

Everyone was pleased with their results and learned a new card-making technique that can be used for any number of projects. And Yvonne provided many valuable tips along the way. Thanks, Yvonne!

Wendy Telford



Above: Front view of tunnel card. There is space on the front arch to add your calligraphed message.



Above and below: Left and right views of tunnel card



Above: Top view of tunnel card

Early Bird Program

Ellen Mott-Jablonski, Presenter

March 11, 2017

Our Early Bird presenter was SDFC Vice President Ellen Mott-Jablonski, who led us through the steps to create a background piece that is at the ready for any of your upcoming projects. Ellen provided paper and paint and explained how to add the paint to paper, let it dry and then, using removable tape as a template, add the gold paint to create grids or spaces for calligraphy or additional marks.



We started with a colored background.



Using tape as a resist, we added gold.
When the tape is removed a grid
formation is left.

April General Meeting

Understand Your Colors and Avoid Mud

With Naomi Lesberg, April 8, 2017

With supplies in the ready and lots of focus, attendees at the April 8th SDFC General Meeting were ready to “understand their colors and avoid mud.” Presenter Naomi Lesberg began with a quick overview of value, temperature, hue and pigment information. Then the colors came out: colored pencils, watersoluble colored pencils, and watercolors! In short order, folks were selecting their materials, mixing colors and applying them to paper to see which combinations worked best. Naomi reminded the group that there are no bad colors; try different colors and see what you get. Naomi encouraged us to “Be aware of what you own and what it does.” What a great way to get the colors you want.

Diane Reiter

Right: Ellen Mott-Jablonski, Kati Searcy, and Candy Ammons.



Below: Naomi Lesberg, Jack Blum, Carole Johnson, Jeanen Monteleone, Kati Searcy, and Candy Ammons.



Above: Jack Blum, Naomi Lesberg, and Carole Johnson



Naomi and her colors!



Above: Jeanen Monteleone, Naomi Lesberg



Above: Samples of color wheels

Early Bird Program

Diane Reiter, Presenter

April 8, 2017

Those who attended the Early Bird presentation by Diane Reiter left with a wonderful origami paper wallet/book. Her instructions were clear, and even the “origami challenged” were able to create a colorful and useful project.

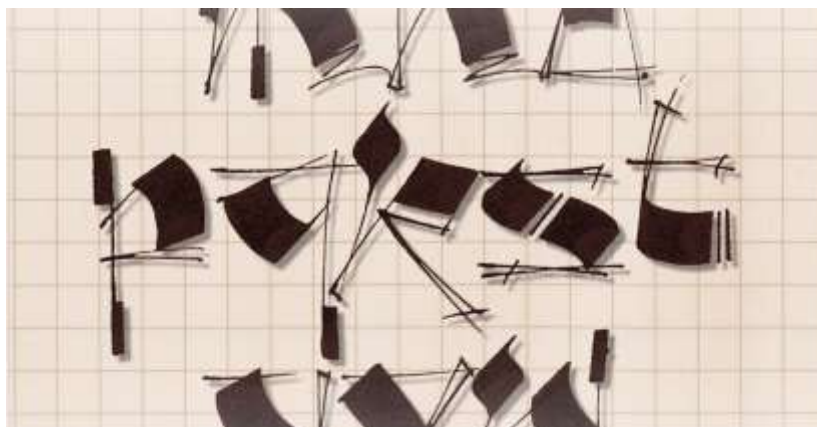


Upcoming May Workshop

May 13, 2017

Louis L. Lemoine: **The Button Alphabet**

Come learn variations of Peter Thornton's "Button Alphabet." It is very versatile, limited only by your imagination. The beauty of this alphabet is that anyone can achieve satisfying results in a relatively short period of time due to its forgiving nature and the fact that there are only 26 characters to worry about. If you come with a positive attitude you are guaranteed to leave with work that you will be proud of.



Instructor Bio:

Louis L. Lemoine is a "Visual Magician" (designer, lettering artist, illustrator, educator and entertainer). He retired in 2015 from Walt Disney Imagineering, a division of the Walt Disney Company, where he worked for 32+ years helping to create memories for Disney Parks guests worldwide. Before leaving he was awarded the Disney Legacy Award, the highest honor the company can bestow on a cast member.



He has a Master of Arts Degree in Art, with emphasis in the area of Design, from California State University at Los Angeles, and his work has been published numerous times in *Letter Arts Review* (being a featured artist in one issue), *Bound and Lettered* and *Somerset Studio* magazines, to name a few, as well as exhibiting his work in juried and non-juried shows .

Louis has also been on the faculty for the 2014 International Lettering Conference, Legacies II in Dallas, Texas, for the 2013 Lampeth Lettering Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and was the 2011 Lampeth keynote speaker in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He is also one of the featured lettering artists in the recently published centennial edition of the *Speedball Textbook*. He has taught lettering work-

shops for calligraphy guilds in California, Iowa and Canada.

Lastly, Louie is a Magician Member of Hollywood's famous Magic Castle, a private club for magicians and magic enthusiasts, enjoying his love of Magic. He resides in Temple City with his wife Cristita.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from this wonderful instructor!

[Click here for more information](#) on the Button Alphabet Workshop.

SDFC Birthday Card Contest

Deadline: June 10, 2017

Have fun and please participate! Design a card that will be easy to photocopy and the original will be returned to you. New dimensions this year are: 5" x 7".

[Click here](#) to get all the specifics on design and sending in your entry. You can turn in your entry at the May 13 workshop or at the June 10th General Meeting.

June 10, 2017, SDFC General Meeting

At the June 10th General Meeting SDFC will begin celebrating its 40th Anniversary! There will be a few prizes and surprises you won't want to miss. The 2017-2018 calendar will be presented, outlining the programs and workshops scheduled for the coming year. 2017 begins with the Members' Exhibit at the Point Loma Library and culminates with the 40th Anniversary Party in June of 2018. SDFC will also elect the 2017-2018 Board of Directors, and select the winner of the Birthday Card Contest. The icing on the cake will be a hands-on presentation with Yvonne Perez-Collins:

Calligrapher's Pocket Album

Make yourself a five-page album with folded pockets to contain an assortment of calligraphy samples that you'll bring to the meeting. You will use the best parts of your practice sheets from past workshops or conference classes. Dodge the smudges, ink blobs and plain old ugly letters that accidentally flowed out of your pen. Yay for us and our hard work! This little treasure book has five 4 1/2" square pages made from strips cut from vintage sheets that may be hard to come by. Plan what you want to use behind the 2 1/2" square window on the cover. [Click here to RSVP](#) and reserve a kit.



SDFC Members' Exhibit

September 2017 through November 2017

Point Loma Library

Opening Reception: September 9, 2017, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

The SDFC Members' Exhibit will be here in no time! Have you started working on your exhibit piece(s) yet? The exhibit is an excellent opportunity to showcase the many talents of our members. The Point Loma Library is a wonderful venue, with plenty of wall space for framed art work and locked cabinets for books and 3-dimensional creations. Remember that piece you almost finished at the last workshop? What about that time you were playing around with colors? Is that artwork still waiting for some calligraphy? There is a piece of art somewhere just waiting to be shared! Submissions for the exhibit will need to be dropped off at specific locations no later than Thursday, August 31, to be included in the exhibit. More information soon at SDFCOnline.com and your inbox.

Upcoming Programs

June 10, 2017, 9 a.m. to noon

End of Year General Meeting

Elections and presentation of the
2017-2018 calendar

Yvonne Perez-Collins, Presenter
"Calligrapher's Pocket Album"

Check our website for more details on
all upcoming meetings and programs:

www.sdfconline.com

SDFC General Meetings

Guests are always welcome at the General Meetings September through June at 9 a.m. on one Saturday morning each month. Our workshop is on May 13 at 9 a.m. Announcements precede the workshop. [Click here for directions](#)

Next SDFC Board Meeting

May 8, 2017, 10:30 a.m. Location: Diane Reiter's home. Open to all members. Please contact any board member if you plan to attend.

