

Handmade Holiday Buyer's Guide 2020

Welcome to the 2020 Handmade Holiday Buyer's Guide!

2020 has been a year of unprecedented challenges, unfathomable circumstances and, at times, surreal situations. But, during this difficult time as we have been forced to keep our distance from each other, we have overcome the obstacles, called upon our creativity and found new ways to come together. And the members of the MN Visual Journal Collective are no exception.

Formed over 10 years ago by founder Roz Stendahl, the MN Visual Journal Collective has met monthly in person to share art journaling ideas, creative inspiration, supplies and support. When the country shut down this spring, those in-person meetings were put on hold, but the group's creativity and love for each other were not. Meetings shifted to Zoom, sharing of ideas and support were posted to Facebook and the group has kept in touch through a monthly postcard project.

Many of the artists in this group have been struggling to find ways to support their artistic businesses in a world that has been forced to move to a virtual marketplace. But one thing we have never struggled to do is come together in support of each other. In 2019, members Molly Anthony and Jenny Maroney created this buyer's guide as a way to showcase the work of their collective artistic communities worldwide. But this year, they knew it had a much larger purpose much closer to home. This year, the Handmade Holiday Buyer's Guide features only the work of local Minnesota artists who are members of the MN Visual Journal Collective. Instead of simply making a list of these artists, we wanted to build a guide that would showcase their amazing work and also provide all the ways to connect with each artist so that you can both share and purchase their work.

When you purchase from these artists, you aren't just receiving beautiful handmade items delivered with love, you are also supporting an independent artist, making dreams come true and are making someone do a happy dance – seriously, you may not see them, but a happy dance comes with each purchase! We hope you enjoy the Handmade holiday Buyer's Guide and we all thank you from the bottom of our hearts for buying handmade this holiday season!

*Molly & Jenny and the members
of the MN Visual Journal Collective*

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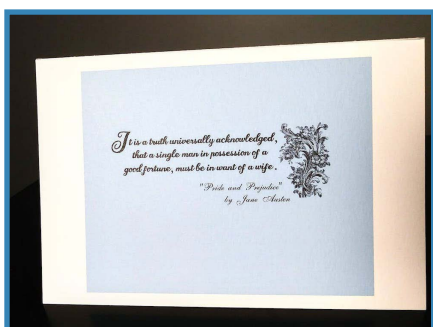
[Instagram: @sapphire_artjournal](#)

Theresa Jarosz Alberti is a writer, author, poet and artist. On Redbubble, she offers a wide variety of designs and quotes, including literary topics, foreign languages, body positivity, fun Betsy-Tacy-related items, and designs based on her original mixed-media art. All designs can be purchased on an assortment of merchandise—shirts, mugs, masks, cards, blankets and more!

Check out Theresa's blog and website for more about her writing and books:

<http://penandmoon.com>

Redbubble has frequent but random sales, so check often!





Theresa Angelo *Lost & Bound Book Arts*

Facebook: [Lost & Bound BookArts](#)

Instagram: [@lostandboundbooks](#)

Website: www.lostandboundbooks.com

I am a fine craft bookbinder residing in a Minneapolis artist loft community on the Mississippi River with studio space in an old-school bindery in St. Paul. I combine hand-binding techniques with computer-formatted pages to create books with fine and repurposed leathers and specialty papers. I finish my covers using a mid-century foil stamper, beads, buttons, snaps and found objects making each book one-of-a-kind. I begin these blank art books but realize they're a collaboration—unfinished until someone uses them.





Molly Anthony
The Found Art Walk

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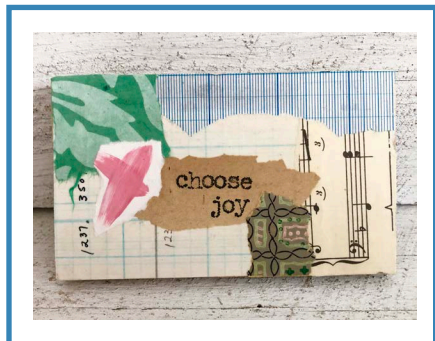
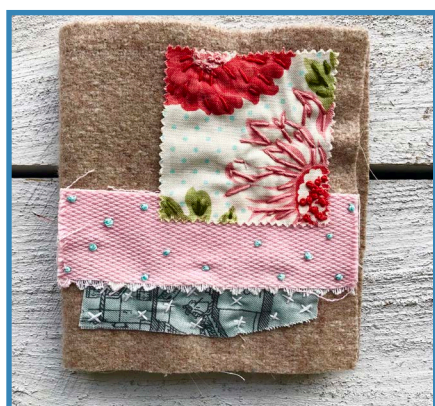
[Etsy Shop: TheFoundArtWalk](#)

Give the gift of inspiration this holiday season with gifts from The Found Art Walk. Choose from creativity kits that teach new and creative ways to create with found objects or original handmade artwork that will help keep you motivated throughout the day. Handmade books from repurposed materials provide an alluring way to capture memories, notes and artwork.

Many of the 21 SECRETS online classes are retiring and for the month of December you can get them for 50% OFF! — including my class Collect & Connect from the session: 21 SECRETS Capturing Moments. There are no special codes to enter, you can get the sale price simply by [clicking here](#)! And you will get have unlimited access to the classes - even when they are no longer available!

Whether you're looking for the inspiration to create something new or ways to inspire your day, The Found Art Walk offers unique and meaningful options for every gift-giving opportunity.

**Free shipping on all orders
over \$35.**





Sandra A. Brick

*WhatSandraSees:
Photos of a journey through life*

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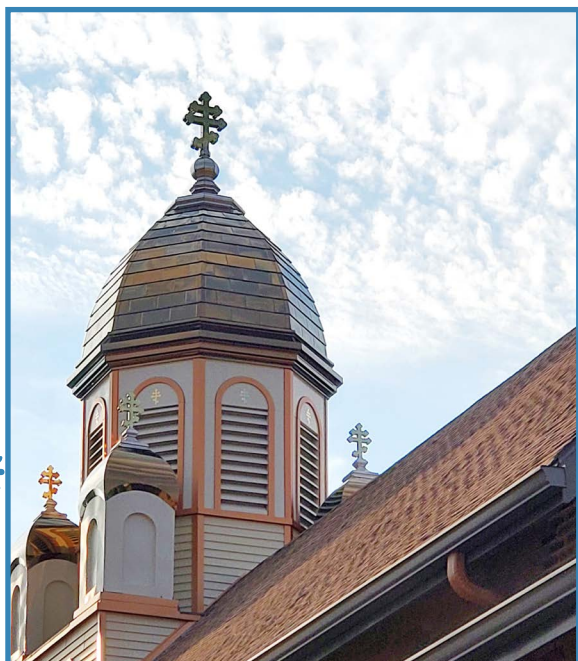
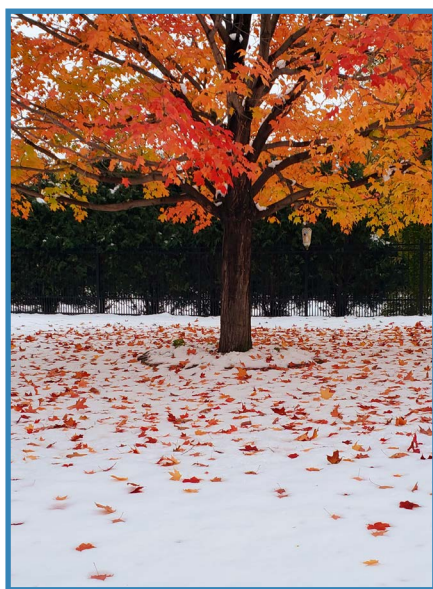
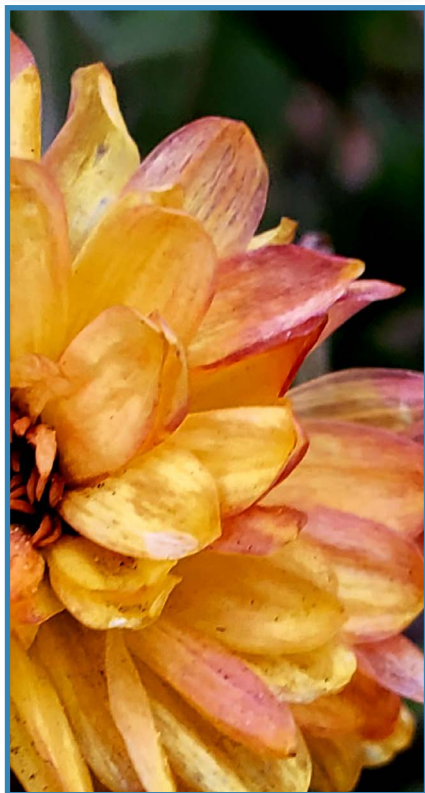
I accept payment via Square

I walk. I check out the world around me.
I record moments in time with photos. The
photos cover a wide range of subjects –
flowers, buildings, shadows, architectural
elements. The photos are available in
archival quality prints.

5" x 7" - \$20 each or three for \$50

8" x 10" - \$30 each or three for \$75

11" x 14" - \$40 each or three for \$100



Services for Artists/ Original Art



ORANGE SPIRAL ARTS

Briana Goetzen
Orange Spiral Arts

www.orangespiralarts.com

Instagram: [@orangespiralarts](https://www.instagram.com/orangespiralarts)

Facebook: [@orangespiralarts](https://www.facebook.com/orangespiralarts)

Twitter: [@BrianaCreates](https://twitter.com/BrianaCreates)

Etsy Shop: [OrangeSpiralArts](https://www.etsy.com/shop/OrangeSpiralArts)

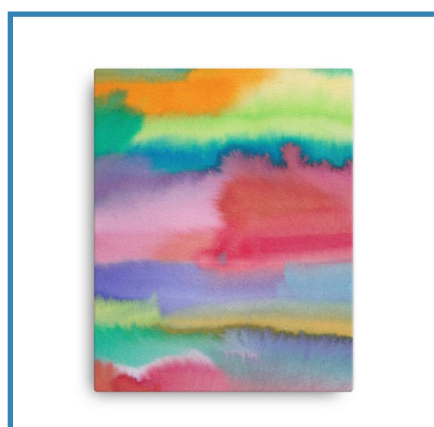
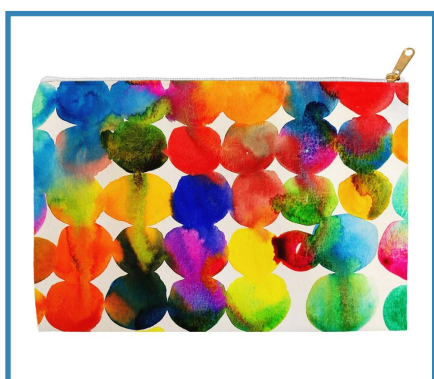
Briana Goetzen is a mixed media artist and teacher who emphasizes the creative process over the end result. If you or a loved one would like to explore the wonderful world of mixed media art supplies, Briana's online classes may be just the thing! She also offers artful products (t-shirts, stickers, mugs, zipper pouches) and colorful, original art in her [OrangeSpiralArts Etsy shop](https://www.etsy.com/shop/OrangeSpiralArts).

During the pandemic, the popular [Liquid Watercolor Mandalas online class](#) is currently being offered for only \$50 (Save \$100) for the pandemic sale. Buy yourself some art supplies with that extra cash!

Also, beginning December 1st, 2020, and for the whole month of December, you can save 50% on several [21 Secrets art journaling classes](#) that are retiring. You will have full access to the classes after retirement, but they will no longer be for sale after December 2020. The 21 Secrets workshop that I taught is part of the [2019 Summer Studios](#), and it is called [Playful Experiments](#).

You can also save on [21 Secrets Paper, Glue, Scissors, 21 Secrets Summer Studio 2018, 21 Secrets FaceTime, and 21 Secrets Summer Studio 2019](#).

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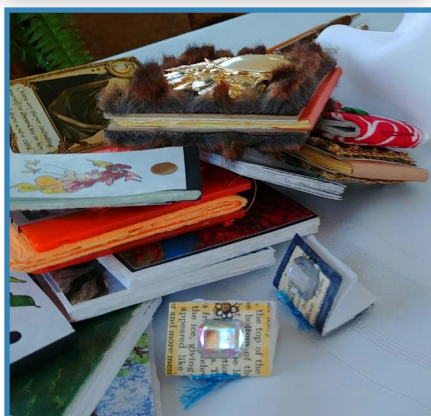
Kari Kruempel
Kari K Art

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I make journals and book-related ornaments and jewelry. I use mostly recycled, reclaimed, and overstock materials in the construction.

My products include: upcycled book journals, upcycled National Geographic journals, vintage handkerchief notebooks, boxed sets of seasons mini-journals, watercolor sketchbooks, tiny-book earrings, danglie book ornaments, and little (stocking-stuffer) scrap books.



Jenny Maroney

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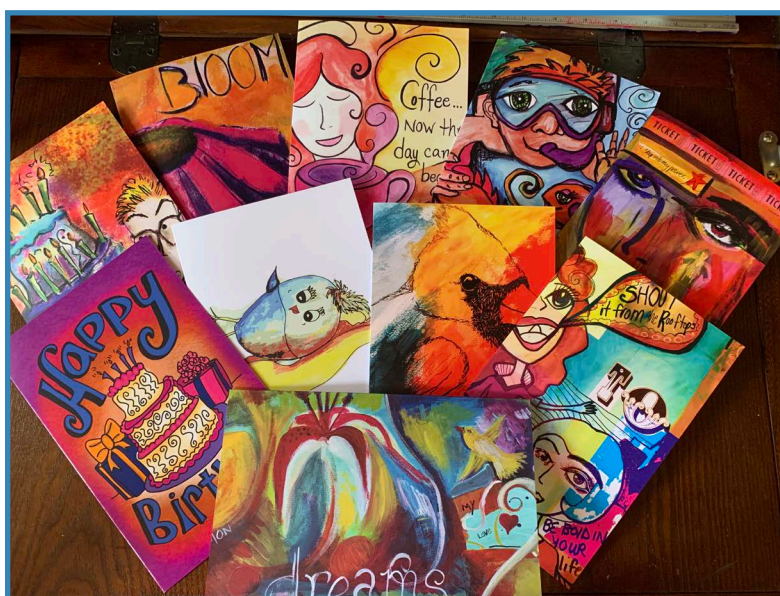
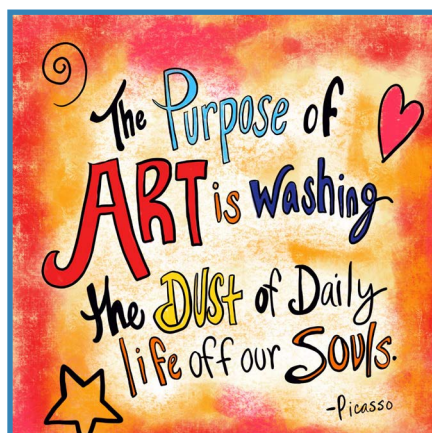
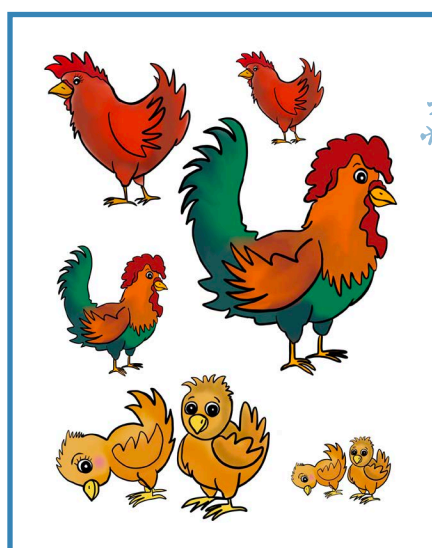
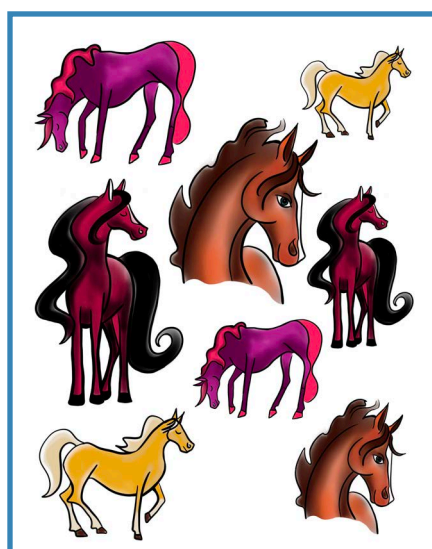
I grew up in Northern Minnesota and live in the Twin Cities with my husband and our very spoiled chihuahua. As a little girl I was always drawing and that led me to art school and a Bachelor of Fine Arts. By day, I am a graphic designer and illustrator. In my free time, I paint. My style is colorful and bold. I am obsessed with bright color and well-defined lines.

Sometimes that comes across in a cartoonish way and other times, it is a bit looser, more impressionistic.

So many of my ideas start as a doodle in my visual journal and then grow from there. Inspirational quotes and hand lettering has also become a passion of mine lately, so that has made its way into my work as well.

My latest obsession is STICKERS! I have a number of designs available - the latest being horses and chickens.

All orders get extras!
You might get stickers or mini prints!



Sue Rowe
Sue Rowe Studios

[Facebook: Sue-Rowe-Studios](#)

[Instagram: @surobear1](#)

[Blog: "Bearly Noted"](#)

My work depicts a fanciful world of whimsical creatures—mainly bears, but also rabbits, squirrels, and pigs. Oh, and sometimes coffee cups and doughnuts! I offer original art, reproductions, cards, and magnets. And assorted other goodies... whatever comes off of the fingers.

Most designs illustrated are available as

Reproductions: \$25.00 - \$35.00

Greeting Cards: \$5.00

Magnets: \$5.00

Free shipping through
December 31, 2020.





Betsy Skagen, Artist

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Betsy Skagen is a mixed media artist, crafts-person, craft product designer, graphic designer, writer and native Minnesotan—not necessarily in that order.

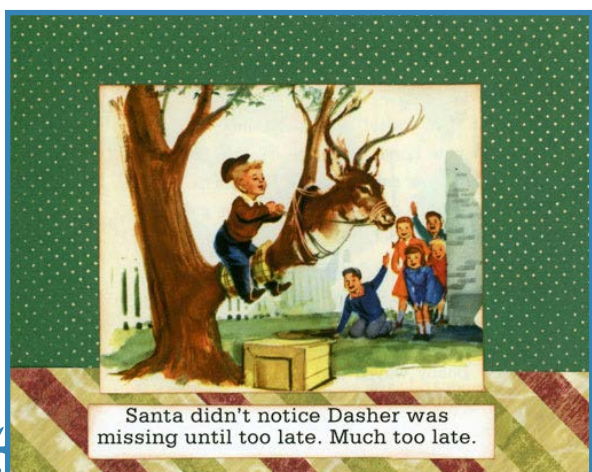
She recently moved from bustling Saint Paul to a secluded home deep in the woods of the North Central Lakes region of Minnesota. Betsy describes herself

as having an eclectic style ranging from mixed media to fun and snarky greeting cards. Please visit Betsy's shop at

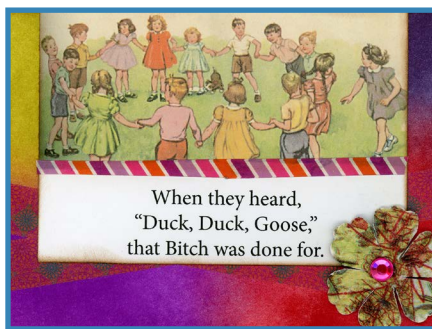
<https://www.BetsySkagen.com>.

Her work can also be seen at

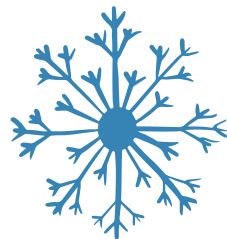
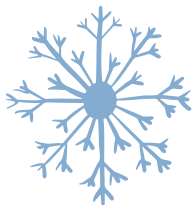
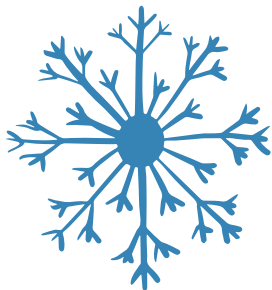
CreamoftheCropArtists.com.



Santa didn't notice Dasher was missing until too late. Much too late.



When they heard,
"Duck, Duck, Goose,"
that Bitch was done for.



Thank you!

Thank you for reading the Handmade Holiday Buyer's Guide and
for supporting local artists this holiday season.

We hope to see you again next year.

Molly & Jenny

