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### *Say goodbye to summer.*

Oh, my! Can it be true? The unofficial end to summer has come and gone? As we get older, it seems to come much too fast for my liking!

But, having said that, I think Fall is my favorite time of the year! True, for many of us it means the structure of schedules, getting the kids back to school, the hectic shopping for school supplies, backpacks, and everything that goes with that. So, why is it my favorite time of the year? Well, Fall also means the beautiful changing of the leaves, bulky and cozy sweaters, fire is in the fireplace, hot chocolate and briskness in the air.

Classes have been VERY busy during the summer! There have been many trash-to-treasure projects. Seems like everyone has been scouring the attic or the basement looking for something old to turn new again. Classes are filling very quickly – Thompson Park is already filled!!! So, please take a minute and find a time that works for you!

A few changes have been made to some of the classes at other locations. The classes at the AC Moore in Shrewsbury are now being held in the morning from 10am to noon. The beading classes at the same store are now held the last Friday of the month from 10am to noon. Classes at Thompson Park have been extended from a 2 hour class to a 3 hour class.

There's a fresh pot of coffee on the burner and the water is hot for the tea. So, stop by for a cup and some painting or beading fun!

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### Studio Time

Monday evening, Wednesday morning and Friday evening continue to be popular for Studio Time classes. These classes are perfect for all levels of painters and bead makers – beginners to advanced! What makes these classes unique is that YOU decide what YOU want to learn and what project to do. Perfect time to do something for yourself!

Even if you've never painted or beaded before, come and learn and start a beginner project.

Paint, brushes, basin, paper, etc. are all included (some surfaces and beads are extra or bring your own!)

Classes are \$10/hour. Choose from:

Monday 6:30pm-8:30pm

Wednesday 9am-noon

Friday 7:00pm-9:00pm

Please call in advance if you are interested in attending a class to be sure there is room available!

If these times are not convenient, please let me know. We can see if there is enough interest to start a new class!

### Classes at Other Locations

Classes are now being offered at many new locations for your convenience! Please check the schedule to find one that suits your schedule!

#### AC Moore

Route 35 South

Shrewsbury | NJ | 07702 | 732.389.2940

Thursday 10am-noon (One Stroke classes)

Last Friday 10am-noon (beading)

#### AC Moore

Route 9 South

Manalapan | NJ | 07726 | 732.462.8655

Saturday 10am-noon (One Stroke classes)

#### Monmouth County Park System

805 Newman Springs Road

Lincroft | New Jersey | 07738 | 732.842.4000, ext. 1

Monday 9am-noon (One Stroke classes)

### Putting on the Bling!

Remember, we still have beading classes. Choose any Studio Class Time and learn to bead. Everything from beading 101 to more complicated weaving, wire wrapping, crocheting and knitting with beads!!!

Come and explore all the wonderful colors, shapes and sizes of beads that you can use. It will overwhelm your senses!

### For Kids ONLY!!

**CALLING ALL KIDS!!! A class for ONLY you!!! Halloween is fast approaching and we need to get ready!!! So, we're going to make a spooky sign to put outside to scare away all those Trick or Treat-ers. Space is limited so register early to reserve your spot!!!**

**For kids 7 years and older or under 7 years with a parent.**

**SATURDAY October 13, 3pm-5pm  
\$25/child (includes all supplies)**

**Please use the attached form to register for the class. Prepayment and registration is required!**

### Holiday Schedule

**No Studio class 9/13**

**No AC Moore class 9/15**

**No Studio class 9/21**

**No AC Moore class 9/22**

**No AC Moore class 9/29**



## Recipe

### Minestrone Soup

- **2-1/4 cups all purpose flour**
- **2 teaspoons olive oil**
- **2 cups shredded green cabbage**
- **1/2 cup sliced onion**
- **4 garlic clove, minced**
- **1 1/2 cups canned beef broth**
- **1 cup chopped canned whole tomatoes and water**
- **1/2 cup each: carrots and celery, chopped**
- **4 ounces drained canned white kidney (cannellini) beans**
- **1/2 cup diced zucchini**
- **1 tablespoon fresh basil or 2 tsp. dried, chopped**
- **1/2 teaspoon salt**
- **1 dash pepper**
- **1 cup cooked small macaroni shells or elbow macaroni**
- **1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley**
- **2 teaspoons grated parmesan cheese**

#### Directions:

1. In a 2 1/2 or 3 quart saucepan heat oil over medium: add cabbage, onion, and garlic and sauté, stirring occasionally, for about 10 minutes.
2. Add broth, tomatoes, water, carrot and celery; cook for 15 to 20 minutes longer.
3. Add beans, zucchini, basil, salt, and pepper and let simmer until vegetables are tender, about 15 minutes.
4. Add macaroni and cook until heated; serve sprinkled with parsley and cheese.



## Tips and Techniques!\*



Next time you're at the grocery store, pick up a box of plastic coffee stirrers for stirring paint. They're inexpensive and perfect for the job.



To create perfectly straight painted lines on a flat wood surface, score lines in the wood using a stylus and a see-through ruler. Load a liner brush with thinned paint and follow the depressions created in the wood by the stylus.



Ever mask off an area or stripe on a project, only to have the stripe color bleed under the tape? Next time, first paint the stripe or masked off area with your background color or clear glaze. Any paint or glaze that sneaks under the tape will seal the gaps. Then when you apply the stripe color, you get clean, even lines. Using a low-tack masking tape also helps a great deal.



Use toothpicks for applying paint to fine details, making tiny dots or applying color in hard to reach areas of your project.



To avoid accidentally swiping sleeves across a freshly painted surface place your water, palette and supplies to your painting-hand side. This will eliminate the need to reach across your painting and everything you need is within easy reach.



If you have a lot of edges or "corners" of a project to paint, simplify and speed up the process greatly by loading up a small sponge with your paint and swiping it down the edge.



Ever been in doubt about how a certain color or stroke will look on your painting? Place a piece of clear acetate over the painting, then apply the stroke or color to the acetate.



When setting up painting space, keep a bar of ivory soap on top of a paper towel, next to your water container. This is for washing out your brushes as you finish with them. Saves trips to the sink. Also keeps brushes CLEAN and no paint buildup.

\*from [www.tole-expressions.com](http://www.tole-expressions.com)

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**Remember: When your worries are getting the best of you, PAINT!  
Painting is a right-brain activity, and the right side of the brain doesn't know how to worry.**



# Decorative Painting ONE Stroke™ Jewelry Classes

Register early so you don't miss out!

## REGISTRATION FORM for Decorative Wonders Studio

(Attach additional sheets with name and address information if registering more than one person/child)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending	Class Description Time	Unit Price	Total
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a \$25.00 fee on all checks returned for insufficient funds.</li> <li>• Prices subject to change without notice.</li> <li>• Times and dates are subject to change, please confirm prior to class.</li> </ul>		<b>Total</b>	
<p><b>Please send your order form, along with your check or money order payable to:</b></p>		<p style="text-align: right;">Decorative Wonders 2 Jason Court Holmdel, New Jersey 07733-1221 Phone: 732-615-0582 <a href="mailto:registration@decorativewonders.com">registration@decorativewonders.com</a></p>	