

2017 Easel Calendar Project
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Supplies:

4x6 Photo Easel (Hobby Lobby \$1.99)
Calendar: 2-3/8 x 1-3/4 (Vippies.com)
Sticky Note Holder 3x3 (Staples)
Pattern Paper (Fun Stampers Journey, A Muse)
White Cardstock
Dies: Happy Winter – Penny Black
Snowflake – Sizzix
Snowflake Accent: Fun Stampers Journey
Ribbon: May Arts
Scor-Tape
Tombow Multi Glue (or similar)
Silver Metallic Sharpie
Delicata Silver Inkpad
Misc. Button, Charm, Sequins

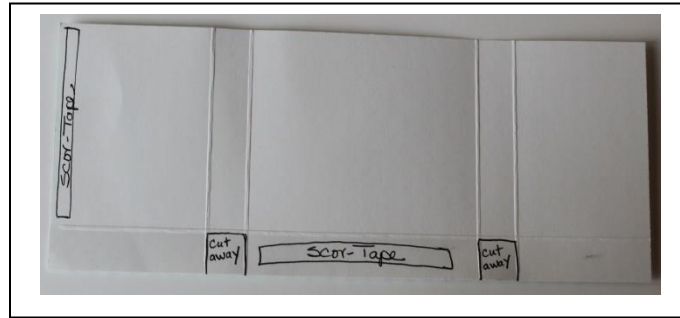
Instructions:

Step 1: Cut pattern paper 4x6. Cut white cardstock 6 x 3-1/4 and diecut Happy Winter. Before popping out Happy, color over the word with a silver metallic Sharpie pen or a Silver inkpad. Pop out Happy and set aside for Step 6. Pop out Winter and affix to the lower portion of the 4x6 pattern paper. Insert the background panel into easel. Affix calendar on the outside of the easel centered under the word Winter.



*Step 1: Coloring happy before popping out the die.
Note, my project sample happy is covered with silver glitter, which is also an option.*

Step 2: For the sticky note holder, cut a coordinating patterned cardstock 7-3/4 x 2-3/4. Score on the short side at 2, 2-1/2, 5-1/2 and 6. Score on the long side 2-1/4. Where the score lines intersect, cut away on all 3 sides of the intersecting score lines as shown below. Place Scor-Tape along the two indicated areas.



Step 2: Score lines, cut away area, taping area

Step 3: Fold along the scored lines to form a box. *It is easiest to insert the sticky note holder for stability while affixing the scored folds.*

Step 4: Affix Scor-Tape along the top back edge of the box. Wrap ribbon around the top edge being sure that it is secured by the Scor-Tape. *Otherwise, the ribbon will slide off when removing the sticky note holder.* Tie the ribbon in a pretty bow.

Step 5: Add decoration to the bow by slipping the large snowflake diecut behind the bow. **Tip:** Punch a 1/4" hole directly in the center of the snowflake and cut a slit up to the hole. You can now slip the snowflake behind the bow! *Refer to photo below.* Add a wood snowflake and button for additional interest. Add a charm as another embellishment.



Step 5: Center punched hole with slit.

Step 6: Take the happy diecut that was set aside in Step 1 and add tiny dots of Tombow Multi Glue to the reverse side of the die and place onto the note holder box in the lower right corner. Add sequins or other sparkly gems around the word happy. Place a few rows of Scor-Tape behind the note holder box and affix to the front of the easel (as shown in the finished photo) making sure you leave equal margins on three sides and line up the bottom of the box with the bottom of the calendar.

Note: *Insert the sticky note holder into the box leading with the adhesive edge as it will go in and out of the box more easily.*

P.S.: *The plan is to create a quarterly (or seasonal) design change to the easel; however, I may do a monthly design as a blog post, so stay tuned! I can't resist creating with hearts for February!*

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