

bead soup

BEADING
TRENDS, TIPS,
NEWS, REVIEWS,
PROJECTS,
AND MORE!

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BEADING FOR A CAUSE

For those of us who devote a lot of time to beading, soothing and therapeutic are not surprising words to associate with the hobby. Recognizing this, twin sisters and bead shop owners Ann and Anita Tristan decided to offer support to their northwest Ohio community in a caring, beady way. These owners of Bonita Bead Boutique provide specialized art beading programs geared to adults and children in hospitals, outpatient cancer centers, and a developmental disability art studio in Toledo, Ohio. Earlier this year, the Tristans paid a visit to the children and teens at the ProMedica Toledo Children's Hospital, teaching them how to create their own lampwork necklace or bracelet. They also worked with parents coping with having a child in the NICU area, providing beading therapy during their challenging time. "The beading experience provided a sense of accomplishment and offered freedom from their worries," Anita explained. "It gave the children a sense of hope, peace, comfort, and lastly, smiles on their faces."

Kudos to the Tristans for spreading the joy of beading and making the world a better place one bead at a time. Contact them at bonitabeadboutique.com.



Ann (left) and Anita (right) Tristan

How are you going to celebrate National Button Day?

Do you button up all the way to the top on this special day? Wear a statement button? Or maybe you don your best and most buttony jewelry? Regardless, National Button Day is on November 16. See how *Bead&Button* celebrates the day by connecting with us at facebook.com/beadandbutton and share your button projects, ideas, and enthusiasm along with us.



➔ If you have beading news or events, send emails to editor@beadandbutton.com, and put "Bead Soup" in the subject line.

'tis the season TO SHOP

AKS GEM, JEWELRY & BEAD SHOW

Dallas, TX; December 1-3, 2017
aksshow.com

For both wholesale and retail shoppers, the show features beads, gems, and jewelry. Classes taught by Naomi Fron.

AMERICAN BEAD AND MERCHANDISE SHOW

Knoxville, TN; November 11-12, 2017
Atlanta, GA; November 18-19, 2017
Memphis, TN; December 9-10, 2017
americanbeadshows.com

These two-day events showcase beading and jewelry supplies, finished jewelry, weaving materials, and more. Look for coupons on their website.

INTERGALACTIC BEAD & JEWELRY SHOWS

Richmond, VA; November 11-12, 2017
Charlotte, NC; November 18-19, 2017
beadshows.com

You'll find hand-selected beads, gems, and stones from all over the world at both of these events.

GEMSTREET USA BEAD & JEWELRY SHOW

Hamburg, NY
November 10-12, 2017
gemstreetusa.com

From amethyst to zircon, this show offers fine gems, jewelry, beads, minerals, and fossils.

TULSA BEAD MARKET

Tulsa, OK
November 10-11, 2017
thebeadmarket.net

Admission is free for this market where you'll find wholesale and retail fashion accessories, lapidary, and beads.

*All show details are subject to change.