



### **Summer News Letter**

Hello my flowery friends and Happy Summer sorry its a bit late!

I do hope these past weeks have been kind to you and your all enjoying the warmer weather.

Life here these past few months has been challenging. My plans to get my allotment

in order sadly haven't yet gone to plan.

Being a working Mom means my plans are scuppered regularly.

There is always a drama or two each week along will some trigonometry and dress up days thrown in! I mean what even is "Dress to Impress Day"? For me that means put on some clean leggings, you know ones that aren't covered in soil patches and remnants of dried flowers! I may even put the tongs through my hair if your lucky! Lets face it, its been tough this last 18 months and its taken its toll, III be honest I'm knackered

That being said I've been keeping busy while secretly planning a week long retreat at a health spa ( Oh if only! )

## What's Been Happening







The wonderful thing about my line of work is that is it so very varied. The past 18 months has seen my business adapt continually with the changes to life. With the ease of restrictions recently its be wonderful to be able to welcome face to face learning. I've had the pleasure of hosting hens for flower crown workshops, Birthday 1-1's and groups of friends for flowers and cake!

As well as the teaching there's been the day to day orders of thank you bouquets, Birthday blooms and farewell flowers. That's without the sowing, planting and watering which has as previously mentioned been challenging! but more on that later....

### **Flower School Program**

#### **Flower Club**

I've two remaining Flower Club Sessions planned for this year. Sessions have now been moved back into the studio and following lifting of restrictions there will be 8 spaces available for each session. The club sessions are created to be more of a social session with some floral flaffery rather than a theory and practical teaching workshop. This enables me to keep the cost at only £35 and give a great opportunity to dip your toes in!

Summer Meeting - Seasonal Vase Arrangement

Saturday 31st July 10.00am - 12.30pm

Autumn Meeting - Dried Flower Hoop Saturday 23rd October 10.00am - 12.30pm







# **Courses Returning September**

The flower school will be quieter in August with new and returning courses returning in September The Seasonal Weddings Course has been a great success. I will therefore be relaunching this again in September.

Sessions will be offered as a full module and also individually for those unable to

attend all sessions.

In order to give learners as much support as possible numbers will be limited to six. Sessions will take place on Wednesday evenings 6.00pm-9.00pm





Sustainable floristry will also be returning, this NEW course is aimed at beginners or experienced florists looking for a more sustainable approach to their floristry. During the course you will visit a selection of practical designs including hand tied bouquets, farewell flowers and gifts. There will also be time within the sessions to discuss sustainability within floristry.







# **Course Programme**

I'm currently working on my Autumn Program which will have all details of planned courses and workshop from September to December that will be arriving in your inbox very soon.

As always I'm open to suggestions for workshops /courses. Please feel free to drop me an email with your requests

Remember you can also book private 1-1 ,2-1 or group sessions!

1-1 sessions from £65
Small private groups from £50 pp (minimum of 4)
Intensive 1-1 full day workshops from £250



## **Fancy Helping?**

As you will be aware Its been a very tough year at the allotment.

The weather has been constantly challenging and time had been something I'm always very short of. What started out as a promising growing season quickly turned into a mass of weeds and untended flower beds.

I've has some triumphs of course with super harvests of sweet peas which has made up for all the challenges.

I've realised that as a working Mom I really cant do it all as much as I want to. The girls have had so much time at home with lock downs and isolation as well as umpteen bouts of tonsillitis and a case of chickenpox! My priorities had been to them so consequently the allotment was a casualty.

With this in mind I'm looking for some extra hands so have come up with an idea of a skills/time swap!

I'm looking for volunteers to help me get the allotment ship shape over the next few months in exchange for course tuition in the new flower season as well as the hands on growing experience. I will be ironing out the finer points over the next couple of weeks so its a fair swap.

If you'd like to register your interest please get in touch!

# FriYay Flowers

I am still offering my Friday Flower delivery should you like to order a gift or blooms for yourself.

Prices start form £25 inclusive of delivery.

Should you prefer a smaller bunch or Jar of flowers I have a selection available at Smithtons Food Market in Solihull on Fridays from 10am.

I also will be at Hoar Park Craft Fair on the 3rd Sunday of August, September and October offering Dried Flower Wreaths and Jars of flowers.



### **Booking**

Please contact me at info@amberjean.co.uk to request further details, costs and booking details or alternatively book via the links on events that will be available within the next week or so on my Facebook page or alternatively on my website amberjeanflower.co.uk

I look forward to seeing you for some creative fun.

#### Regards

#### Claire

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