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DESIGN GUIDE™



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Michael Strong is a Paper Artist Extraordinaire, and he is bringing his fabulous ideas to The Scrapbook Lounge. Michael has a solution for getting a dozen... count 'em—12 photos on one 12" x 12" scrapbook page; and each photo stands out. He also shares a great tip for making your own coordinating background paper. You're gonna 'flip' over his Flip 'n Fold Photo Album.



MATERIALS

FEATURED PRODUCTS

Magenta Style:

- Fiesta! Stucco Blue, One sheet 12" x 12" Paper

Tonic Studios:

- 12" Small Base Trimmer

SUPPLIES

- Tape
- Adhesive for photos & embellishments
- One Sheet 8 1/2" x 11" Blue Cardstock or Paper
- One Sheet 8 1/2" x 11" Light Blue Cardstock or Paper
- White Cardstock or Paper
- (1) 12" x 12" sheet
- (2) 8 1/2" x 11" sheets
- One 8 1/2" x 11" Self-Adhesive Label Sheet (from Office Supply Store)
- Five Paper Flower Embellishments
- White Picket Fence 3-D Sticker

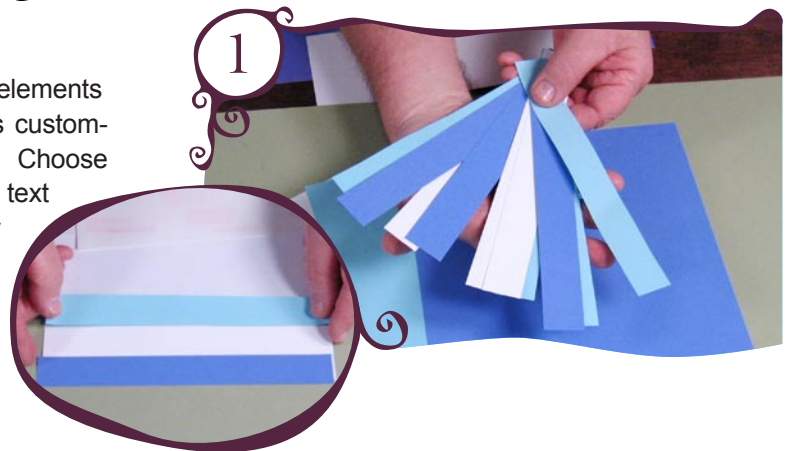
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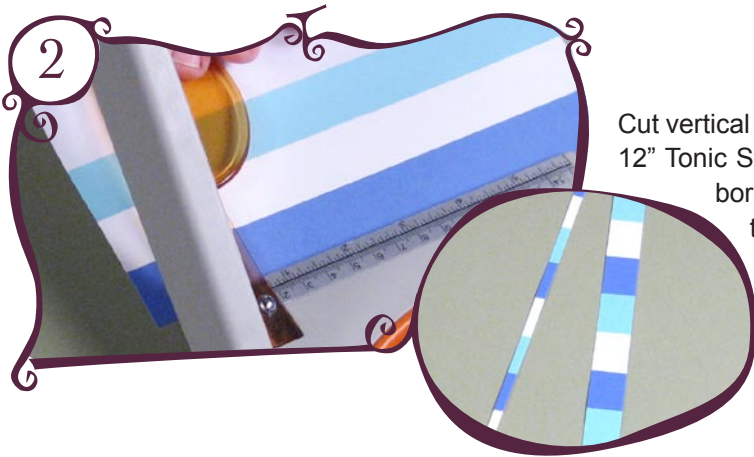
Michael used:

- (9) 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" Photos
- (3) 1 3/4" x 1 3/4" Photos

STARTING YOUR PAGE

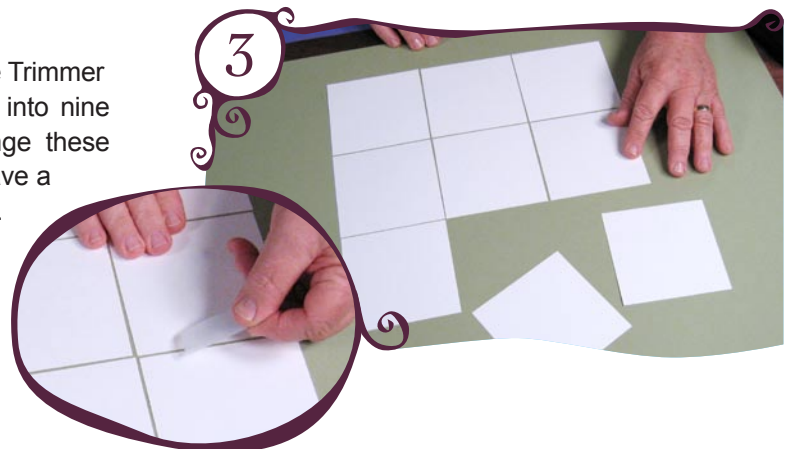
Michael began his page by constructing several of the elements that he will be using on this page. This first element is custom-made patterned paper to match the photos he is using. Choose three 8 1/2" x 11" solid color sheets of cardstock and/or text weight paper. Using the 12" Small Base Trimmer by Tonic Studios, cut sheets into strips, 1" x 8 1/2". Peel the backing from a full, self-adhesive label sheet from the office supply store. Place on work surface "sticky-side" up. Create a pattern by laying the strips of colored paper horizontally onto the sticker sheet. Fill the entire sheet. Michael chose to separate the two shades of blue with a white strip.





Cut vertical strips of the new striped paper created in Step 1 using the 12" Tonic Studios Trimmer. Cut a strip about 1" wide for the bottom border and a thin strip about 1/4" wide for the left border. Set these aside.

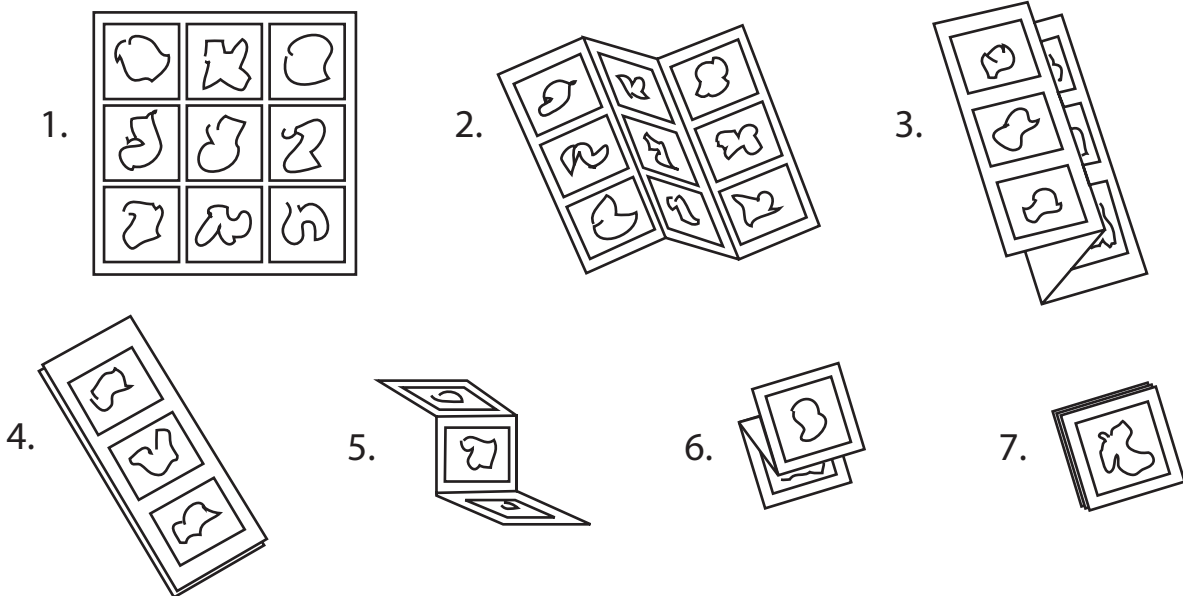
Create the Flip 'n Fold Album. Using the 12" Small Base Trimmer from Tonic Studios, cut the 12" x 12" white cardstock into nine squares, each 4" x 4". On the work surface, arrange these squares in a grid of 3 rows across by 3 rows down. Leave a scant 1/16" space around all sides of all of the squares. This space will ensure that the Flip 'n Fold Album will fold. Use 3" pieces of regular tape to tape the squares together, making sure the slight gap is maintained as you tape.



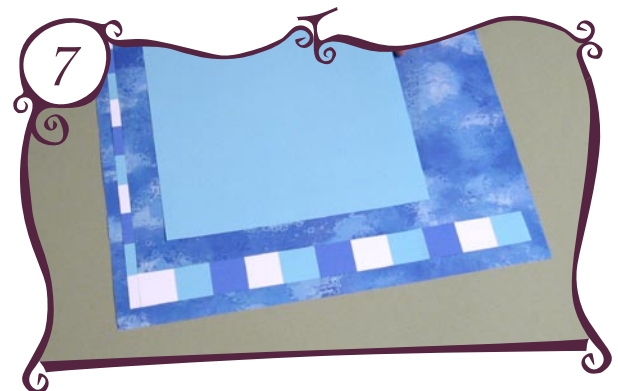
Turn the taped grid over so the taped side is facing the work surface. Adhere a 3 1/2" photo to the center of each square of the grid.

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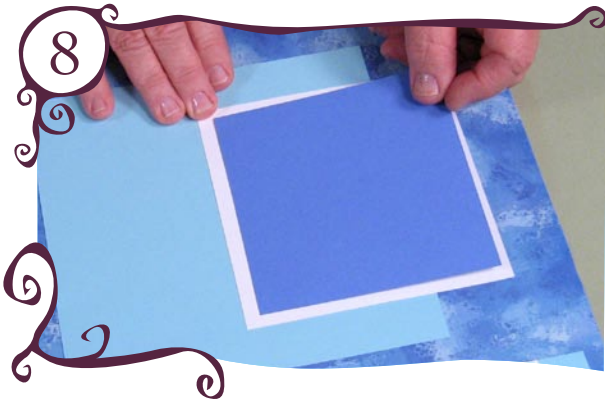
Fold the album. Start by folding the middle vertical row on top of the right row. Fold the left row back on top of the middle row so it's photos are facing up. Fold the middle square on top of the bottom square and fold the top square back on top of the middle square so it's photo is facing up. Set the folded album aside.



To create the layout, use a sheet of Fiesta! Stucco Blue paper by Magenta Style as the foundation page. Adhere the borders created in Step 1. Place a 1/4" strip down the left side of the page, 1/2" from the edge. Adhere a 1" strip horizontally across the bottom of the page, 1/2" from the edge. The two strips should meet in the lower left corner.



Create a focal point. Trim a light blue piece of paper to 7 1/2" x 7 1/2". Adhere to the foundation page, 1 1/2" in from the left edge and 2 1/2" from the top edge.



Create a mat for the Flip 'n Fold Album. Cut a piece of white cardstock 5" x 5". Adhere to the foundation page, centering vertically, 2" in from the right side of the page. Cut a piece of blue cardstock 4 3/4" x 4 3/4". Adhere to the center of the white cardstock to create a double mat.

Crop three photos to 1 3/4" x 1 3/4". Mat on white cardstock with a 1/8" border. Place the photos on the left side of the light blue square at different angles. Leave about 1 3/4" below the photos on the blue paper for a 3-D picket fence sticker.



Attach the folded Flip 'n Fold album to the foundation page by placing adhesive on the unadorned side (white cardstock square that is left when the album is folded) and centering it on the double mat added in Step 8.



Finish dressing up the page. Add a title across the top of the page using white rub-on letters. Accent the borders with some self-adhesive blue paper flowers, and highlight the three smaller photos by using a pre-made picket fence sticker underneath them.



MAKE IT YOUR OWN!



The Flip 'n Fold album works great for any page on which you want to include a number of related photos. On this page, Michael grouped his family reunion pictures. Instead of using photos on every square, he used some for a title. He also dressed up the page with a paper border threaded with satin ribbon.

You don't want 12 photos on the page? You can make a Flip 'n Fold album with only three sections as shown on the Fourth of July page. Just tape three cardstock squares together to make either a vertical or horizontal album.



CONGRATULATIONS

You've just completed your All Dressed Up Page, but the fun doesn't stop there! Be sure to stop back by The Scrapbook Lounge every week for more exciting new twists on scrapbooking!