



# All About the Orange

## THE SCRAPBOOK LOUNGE



with Michael Strong

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Mike gives us a Dutch history lesson while building a great layout with several unique elements. Design strategies that he learned in art school make an appearance on this page about all things orange, along with Mike's typical flair for humor. He'll do almost anything for a laugh!



## MATERIALS

### FEATURED PRODUCTS

#### Michael Strong Rubber Stamps

- Cloisonné Flower Stamp

#### JudiKins

- Micro Glaze

#### Clear Scraps

- Clear Arrow Embellishments

### SUPPLIES

- 2 Large Orange Brads
- 1 Small Orange Brad
- 12" x 12" Orange Cardstock

- 3½" x 12" Patterned Scrapbook Paper

- 12" x 12" Coordinating Orange Cardstock

- Gold Embossing Powder

- Pigment Inkpad

- Dry Adhesive

- 4" x 4" Double-sided Adhesive

- 3-Dimensional Dots of Glue

- White Paint Pen

- 2 Coordinating Ribbons

- Alpha Stickers to spell Title

### TOOLS

- Embossing Heat Tool

- Scissors

- Paper Trimmer

- Bone Folder

## STARTING YOUR PAGE



When Mike decided on the theme for this episode, he went through over 250 photos that his friend Kay Williamson sent to him chronicling their recent trip to Zeist, in The Netherlands. He then chose 7 favorite photos for this layout—all contain the color orange.

Mike cropped the photos to a variety of sizes: 2 copies of one 4" x 4" and one each of the following: 2½" x 7"; 2½" x 2½"; 4½" x 3½"; 2½" x 3¼"; 4½" x 3½"; 2" x 2½".

Mike protected and sealed all photos with Micro Glaze from JudiKins prior to starting this layout. Pick up a small amount on your finger. Rub over the photo and then buff lightly with a cloth.

You'll probably recognize some familiar faces from TVWeekly in these photos, Tricia Morris and Judi Watanabe were a part of this great trip. And one of our very own Scrapbook Lounge members, Hetty from The Netherlands was there to greet them. She is standing next to Mike in the middle photo.

Create the elements for this page. Gold emboss the Cloissonne' Flower from Michael Strong Rubber Stamps. Cut out. Emboss a second time and cut out each petal separately. Set aside one petal for an accent on the Title Block. The other petals will be used to create the Tulip in the MIYO (Make It Your Own) section later in this Design Guide.

Place a small orange brad through the center of the flower. Set these element aside.

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Trim a 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 12" strip from the 12" x 12" coordinating orange cardstock. Layer a 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 7" photo to the left side of this strip. Spell out the title of the layout with black embossed alpha stickers.

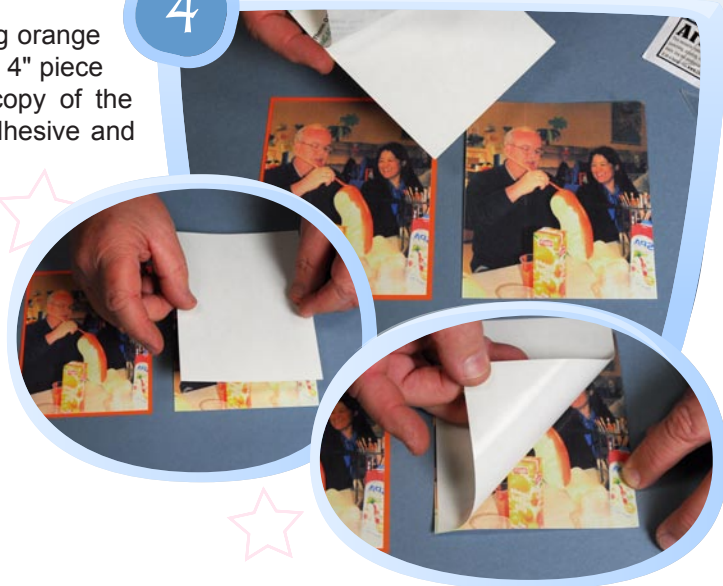
A 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " focal point photo is adhered to the right of the first photo. Tie snippets of 2 coordinating orange ribbons in a knot and adhere to the right of the focal point photo with a large orange brad.

Adhere the single embossed petal from Step 2 to the top of the brad.



Mat one copy of the 4" x 4" photo with the coordinating orange cardstock with about a 1/8" border all around. Cut a 4" x 4" piece of double-sided adhesive and adhere to the other copy of the 4" x 4" photo. Remove the release paper from the adhesive and place the photo on the work surface, adhesive side up.

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Peel the protective layers of plastic from both sides of the Clear Curved Arrow Embellishment from Clear Scraps. Lay the Curved Arrow on the portion of the photo that you want to highlight. Trim away the excess photo. Add 3-Dimensional dots of glue to the back of the photo under the Clear Curved Arrow.

Adhere the Clear Curved Arrow over the matching portion of the photo. Set this element aside.

Trim a 6" x 3½" piece of the coordinating orange cardstock. Fold in half to a 3" x 3½" card. Open the card and turn it over so the fold is in a "mountain fold" position. Turn the 4½" x 3½" photo over and butt it up to the open orange card. Tape the photo to the orange card. Turn both pieces back to the front.

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Adhere a 2½" x 3¼" photo to the inside of the orange folded card; and a smaller 2" x 2½" to the front of the folded card. Mike also added a Dutch greeting with stickers to the inside of the card.

Add a large orange brad to the left edge of the larger photo—this will be the closure for the folded card.



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Mat the remaining photo with the coordinating orange cardstock leaving about a ¼" border all around.



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Put the page together. Use the 12" x 12" orange cardstock as the foundation page. Layer the 3½" x 12" strip of patterned scrapbook paper vertically, about ¾" from the left side of the foundation page.

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Adhere the Title Block made in Steps 2 & 3 above to the foundation page, about ¼" from the bottom. Position the 4" x 4" photo with the 3-D Clear Scraps arrow so that it is pointing to the small photo on the Title Block.



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Adhere the matted 4½" x 3½" to the left of the 4" x 4" photo—at a slight angle. Adhere the orange folded card/photo in the upper right corner of the layout about ½" from the top and right side. Refer to the project photo on the front of the Design Guide for placement.

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Adhere the gold embossed Cloisonné' Flower in the upper left corner with 3-D dots of glue.

To finish this page Mike added dots of white paint pen randomly throughout the page—to mimic the white dots on his orange wooden shoes.



### MAKE it YOUR OWN!™



#### TULIP

The leftover petals from Step 2 above are formed into a tulip shape. Fold a scrap of green cardstock in half and cut off the fold—this becomes the stem of the tulip. Cut 3 leaf shapes from a green cardstock scrap. Computer generate the word and layer both the word and the tulip on a black panel. Adhere to a folded gray card.

#### MORE FROM ZEÏST

This time Mike used alcohol inks to color the Clear Scraps arrows and other Shape Embellishments. A tall folded yellow card is accented with geometric shapes cut from white cardstock. The alcohol ink colored Shapes from Clear Scraps all point to the focal point photo of Mike and Hetty.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

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