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***Recapture the Romance of a Handmade Valentine Card***

Anyone can shop for a card or gift in a store. It takes a special kind of love, and often courage, too, to create a work of art with the intention of expressing how you really feel about someone.

Alessandra Colfi has a natural gift for helping her participants get in touch with their creative energy. She does it so well that her *HeArt of Card Making Playshop* is a regular part of the activities at exclusive spas & hotels like Golden Door, Cal-A-Vie and Four Seasons, and of volunteer programs at Caring Community - Living with Cancer. Last month her Card Making process was shown on Home & Garden TV. Now, in response to demand, Alessandra is offering her playshop to the public in time for Valentine's Day.

With Alessandra's guidance and encouragement, you'll get back in touch with the ability you had as a child to naturally express your feelings and to heal your inner critic through art. Art tools and a wide array of materials are provided -- some natural, some recycled. You'll work with vintage lace, rich shantung silk, hand-torn mulberry paper, miniature adornments, and much more. You'll make and take home your own personal creations, which your loved ones will be so touched to receive because your heart is there. See the charming and whimsical Cardissima! cards for any occasion at selected retailers including Leaping Lotus on Cedros in Solana Beach and Pangaea Outpost in Pacific Beach. And on-line at [www.AlessandraColfi.com](http://www.AlessandraColfi.com).

Upcoming Playshops:

Every Wednesdays - 6 to 8pm at Shi-Ho Gallery in Del Mar

Sunday, January 30 & Sunday, February 6 – 2 to 4 pm in Tierrasanta

Tuesday, February 1 – 7 to 9 pm at Church of Today in Miramar.

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