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1. What motivated you to start making layouts and begin stamping?

Since I was a little girl, I always enjoyed all things crafty. I used to spend all my money on buying stickers and different art supplies to create all sorts of things. Then, one day I was watching crafty videos on YouTube and stumbled across this whole “scrapbooking thing” and as you can imagine, I was hooked immediately. I also got interested in photography and quickly started creating my own layouts. It’s been a couple of years since then and this hobby has become my passion. I love the fact that I can document and preserve my memories in a creative way and that maybe one day in the future other generations are going to be able to see how life looked like on this time.

2. How did you fall in love with Altenew?

I think I discovered Altenew through Instagram. What caught my attention were their beautiful and elegant floral stamps. I was really impressed by their detail and how realistic they looked like and I wanted to have them all. I started following Altenew online and realized the huge variety of products they offered, and as you can imagine, the rest is history. Then, in January 2019, I was lucky enough to attend Creativation. There I got the chance to take a look at all of their products in person and met the sweet Tasnim and May which made me love Altenew even more.

3. You have constantly wowed us with your incredible coloring skill and the way you balance the elements and designs in your cards! Do you have a favorite technique to do? Please share some tips with us!

Thank you! :) My favorite technique is fussy cutting. I cannot seem to be able to create a project without fussy cutting something. I love this technique because it allows me to create my own embellishments, and even though it takes some time and requires patience, I find it very therapeutic and relaxing.

4. Do you have a specific crafting style that you are comfortable with or like to stick to?

My style has definitely evolved over the years, but I try to stick to clean and fresh designs. I love using different colors of the rainbow and to include floral elements into my pages. I'm also a big fan of texture, so I often tend to use lots of foam dots to pop-up elements and to highlight some others, and also try techniques like hand-stitching or stenciling with embossing paste which add a lot of dimension. In addition, lately, I've been trying to experiment with coloring stamped images using different mediums like watercolors, colored pencils, and paints, and include the final pieces into my projects.

5. Can you share a favorite card or DIY project that you made previously using Altenew products?

That's a difficult one. I'm constantly creating new projects which means my favorites are always changing. Right now, I have two layouts that I love. The first one features some new washi tapes, including the beautiful Floral Field Washi Tape, and the second one highlights the Open Bloom 3D Die Set and the super versatile Fine Frames Diamonds Die Set.

[Lovely Scrapbook Layout](#)

Supplies: [Rose Petal Washi Tape Set](#), [Sea Shore Washi Tape Set](#), [Floral Field Washi Tape](#), [Positivity Washi Tape](#), [Marsh Land Washi Tape](#), [New Day Card Kit Enamel Dots](#), [Reflection Collection Epoxy Buttons & Wood Veneer Bundle](#), [Fantasy Floral 3D Die Set](#).



At Home Scrapbook Layout

*Supplies: Open Bloom 3D Die Set,
Fine Frames Diamonds Die Set, Our
Family Wooden Veneers, Reflection
Paper 6x6 Paper Pack*



6. This is just for fun! If you can choose only three crafting supplies for the rest of your life, what would you choose?

Besides the basics, I would say- anything floral, patterned paper, and the Altenew Watercolor 36 Pan Set.