



Guidelines and Ideas for Restoring Memories Scrapbooking Layouts

Thankyou for your interest in Restoring Memories. below you will find some information that may be helpful for you in participating in this project. This is information designed to help you with ideas and give some guidelines just to help keep the project simple and straightforward.

Layouts should be **12x12 inch loose-leaf format**. This allows for maximum flexibility for the compilation of the albums, as well as allowing the recipients to reorganise the album or add/remove pages.

Layouts should be **single sided**. The exception to this would be a whole album (20 layouts) that has been created by one person/group, where double sided (using both sides of the cardstock or paper) layouts would be acceptable because the pages are already organised into an album set.

A complete album will require 20 layouts. If you or your group wishes to complete one or more whole albums you may like to choose a continuous theme and style for the whole album.

Individual layouts are welcome and will be sorted and organised into album groups once they are received by The Salvation Army. **Double-page layouts would be preferred over single page layouts.**

Layouts may be as simple or intricate as you desire - be creative and try something new!

To simplify the process of adding photos by the recipients, you may like to use 'placeholders' to indicate where the photos should go (remember many of the recipients will not be scrapbookers and we want to make this easy for them to use). A placeholder is a plain white or coloured (acid & lignin free) piece of paper cut to a standard photo size. Standard placeholder sizes would be 4x6 inch, 4 inch square, 6x8 inch, 6 inch square. **You can also add a little extra to the size of the placeholder so that a narrow 'border' will show around the photo once it is stuck in.** This will help visually where the colours in the photo may not necessarily match the colours in the layout. White or black are usually the best neutral 'barrier' colours.

Remember to leave a space for the recipient to add journaling (telling the story of the photos) to each layout. This could be a tag, a lined stamp, a piece of decorative edged paper etc.

You may also like to leave a space for the recipient to add the page title - and if you would like to donate some alphabet stickers for this purpose to match the album/layout you have created, you are most welcome.

There are LOTS of websites that may be useful in getting ideas for layouts or albums. Scrapbooking magazines are also a great source on inspiration. Don't be afraid to copy or recreate a layout you like!

Some suggested ideas/themes for layouts and albums include: Baby (boy, girl or generic), School Days, Holiday (beach, camping, fun, water, snow), Wedding, Kids, Our Family, Birthdays, Christmas, Year in Review Album (with a title page, pages for Jan, Feb etc, a 'highlight of the year' page)

When completed (or periodically, if you/your group will be participating all year) the layouts should be sent to:

The Salvation Army Women's Ministries Department
PO Box A435,
Sydney South NSW 1235.

or direct to me:

Kristen Cairns
PO Box N63
Bexley North NSW 2207

They can be **hand delivered or posted in a pizza box** (unused of course), which is the right size and will keep them flat. They will then be collated and organised into album sets ready for sending to Melbourne for distribution to the families.

The relief workers in Melbourne are now ready to begin receiving the albums, so I would encourage any completed layouts to be forwarded at your earliest convenience.

The project will be running for the next 6 months, with the last layouts needing to be forwarded by **Friday 4th December 2009** to enable the final albums to be donated before Christmas.

I thank you for your interest and participation in our project.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or suggestion,

Kind regards,

Kristen Cairns

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Some Sample Pages

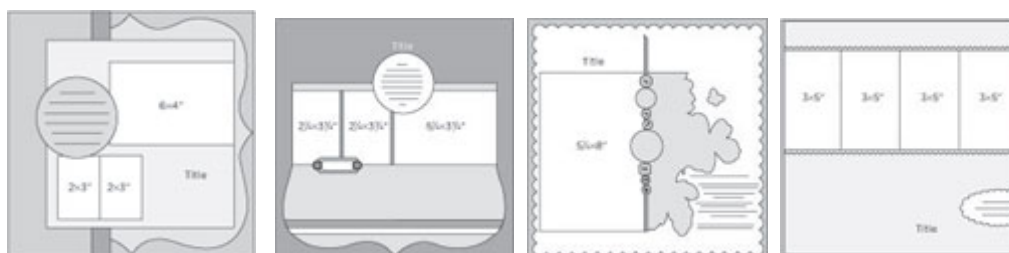


Some Sample Layout Ideas

There are LOTS of websites that may be useful in getting ideas for layouts or albums... these include scrapgirls.com and scrapbook.com, where you can look at completed layouts for inspiration. Scrapbooking magazines are also a great source on inspiration. Don't be afraid to copy and recreate a layout you like!

There are also lots of layout templates (often called sketches) available that might be helpful in creating blank layouts (often the inspiration comes from the photo we are using - which we don't have here!). Many scrapbooking websites have free layout sketches and template ideas, that you might like to print off and use within your group.

2 particularly good websites are www.stickersnfun.com and www.scrapbooksetc.com



www.scrapbooksetc.com/sketches/12x12/index.html

