



the design times.

The summer is officially here!

We hope your days are filled with watermelon picnics, ball park hot dogs, site-seeing vacations, photograph tours, graduation celebrations, sidewalk strolls, theme park rides and sticky-finger popsicles. Whatever adventures you embark on, don't forget to take along a camera to capture this summer's memories. With this newsletter, I hope to get your creative juices flowing by giving you some simple design projects you can do in the comfort of your very own home--YES, you can do it! Inspiration is everywhere. Please share images of your projects with us--we would love to see your creative masterpieces! Remember, our doors are always open to help bring your ideas to life!

- Summer Maeda
Owner & Designer

GIVING BACK

In an effort to make a difference in the lives of those diagnosed with – and families fighting against – Duchenne muscular dystrophy, Summer Signature donates a percentage of its profits from design services to PPMD.

**Parent Project
Muscular Dystrophy**
LEADING THE FIGHT TO END DUCHENNE

COOL IDEA: Add Special Effects to Photos

Capture this summer's memories by adding special effects to your pix. Thanks to these great websites, you can do it for free!



Bakumatsu Koshashin Generator (labs.wanokoto.jp/olds)

Transform modern snapshots into vintage-inspired photos--the site's in Japanese; click "English" in the upper right corner. Upload your file, then click "convert."

BeFunky.com

Turn digital photos into works of pop art. Simply upload a photo and choose an effect, such as *Warholizer* (shown right). Other fun effects: *Cartoonizer*, *Charcola*, *Patriotic*, *Inkify*, *Line Artopia*, *Stenciler*, *Sunburst* & *Scribbler*.



Get crafty and use your new images to create:

- canvas wall art
- personalized thank you cards
- paper mache lamp shades
- wine bottle labels
- book covers
- photo candles
- custom skateboards
- postage stamps

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