



Every special event
deserves a candle!

Brigitte Oberndorfner is used to dealing with families' special occasions on a daily basis. Her business Candles by Design specialises in exclusive personalised candles which are individually designed and tailor-made for a wide range of occasions.

In her studio in Glendowie, tucked away in a quiet cul-de-sac, Brigitte creates candles that become the focus of the ceremony when lit at weddings, baptisms, birthdays, anniversaries and bereavements. She also counts many schools and churches throughout New Zealand as regular clients.

Brigitte works closely with her clients, always aiming to capture their style, theme and colours, and to create a design appropriate for the occasion. Over time, she has developed a special interest in the area of symbolism.

"Our clients may have a treasured ornament, a flower or picture, which we capture and reproduce in wax, to provide them with that very personal experience when they light their candle", says Brigitte.

"For church occasions, we need to be familiar with rituals, symbols and colours appropriate for the seasonal calendar."

With an extensive art and crafts background, Brigitte set up Candles by Design in 2006 after many months

of research. She perfected a unique wax-on-wax method which includes wax letters and an ever-increasing range of hand-poured ornaments. It is delicate work ... amongst the many wax embellishments on her shelves is a range of 'Kiwiana' which includes life-like koru and colourful pohutukawa leaves which look so authentic, you may think they were just picked up from under a tree.

In addition, a special printing method allows the application of typeset lettering, photos, logos and graphics. This method is particularly suitable where larger quantities are required, for promotions, fundraising, table decorations and the popular school graduation candles.

Candles by Design creations are sought-after gifts, and many candles have travelled overseas, safely packed away in the hand luggage. A recent order for two tiny cousins' baptism candles, richly decorated with their photos, names and delicate wax frangipani flowers, was delivered to Samoa by their aunty.

Brigitte says "Our website www.candlesbydesign.co.nz is our online catalogue, and it has become invaluable for showing our design samples and photos of past work for the many different occasions".

Clients frequently recommend the company to friends and family, and many have returned to order several candles. Brigitte is used to fine-tuning the smallest details via email or by phone, and offers personal consultations by appointment. ☎





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