Valentines for Women Living with HIV

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Visual AIDS, Fire Island Artist Residency, Positive Women's Network — USA, The Well Project, and Dieu Donne are collaborating to do something special for women living with HIV on the occasion of LOVE POSITIVE WOMEN 2020.

To receive a handmade valentine's card, please email your name and mailing address to lovepositivewomen@visualaids.org by January 31, 2020.

Cards will be mailed out at the beginning of February so that they arrive by Valentine's Day, February 14. (International mailings may arrive in the second half of the month.) Respecting the privacy of receipts, envelopes will bear the recipient's address without additional information.

Please note that the valentines are for women and femme-identified people living with HIV only. Thank you for respecting this.

Since 2015, artists, activists and HIV-positive women have come together for LOVE POSITIVE WOMEN paper making workshops to show their love and support for women living with HIV. Hosted at Dieu Donné's paper making studios, the program has mailed over 1,800 unique handmade paper Valentines cards to women living with HIV around the world to celebrate LOVE POSITIVE WOMEN. These workshops are collaboratively produced with the Fire Island Artist Residency and Dieu Donné.

LOVE POSITIVE WOMEN is an international series of events that uses Valentine's Day as a backdrop, creating a platform for individuals and communities to engage in public and private acts of love and caring for women living with HIV. Working from a place of strength, LPW focuses on the idea of interconnectedness, relationship building, loving oneself and loving one's community. LOVE POSITIVE WOMEN is an ongoing project established by Visual AIDS artist member Jessica Whitbread in 2013.

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