

ART GUILD of Rural Texas

Presents

Mixed Media Jewelry Artist

Diane Cook



Heart Strings

Jewelry Workshop

Held in the

Ross Gallery

Art Guild of Rural Texas

Fayetteville, Texas

114 North Live Oak Street

Fayetteville, Texas, 78940

Saturday, February 12, 2011

9:30 am ~ 4:30 pm

In this class students will design a romantic tassel necklace using a vintage brass thimble, layers of silk, fiber, tulle, chain and whatever pulls at your "Heart Strings".

Please note that some supplies will be included in the class fee, but contact Diane for additional supplies and tools needed to take this class!

Class Fee: \$140
(Includes class kit)
Student Level: Beginners - Intermediate

Student Class Kit Includes:

Class Handout
Vintage brass thimble
Vintage Tulle
Etched Metal
Vintage Book Text
Brass Jump Rings
Brass Eye/Head Pins
Brass Eyelets
Bronze Wire, 20 and 22 gauges
2 Brass Lanyards
1 Brass Locket
3 Brass Puffy Hearts
400/600 Grit Sandpaper
Rubber Gloves

I will have these available to use in class:

Patina Supplies
Satin Varnish & Small Paint Brush
Dupoini Silk Strips, various colors
Vintage Text & Ultimate Glue
Rouge Cloth
Paper Towels

Student Supply List:

Flat-Nose Pliers
Chain-Nose Pliers
Round-Nose Pliers
Bailing Pliers (www.ameritool-inc.com)
Flush Cutters
Bench Block

Bench Pad or Rubber Bench Block (or thick terry hand towel)

Ball Peen Hammer

Center Punch

Metal Hole Punch, 1.8mm (www.eurotool.com)

1/8" drill bit (sold individually at Home Depot or Lowe's)

Scissor Shears (www.eurotool.com)

Small Metal Jewelry Files (X-Acto File Set at Ace Hardware or
Economy Needle File Set at www.eurotool.com)

Ruler

Sharpie Fine Point Marker, Black

Scissors

Felt Beading Pad

Apron

Optional Suggested Supplies:

Lace, ribbon or various fibers (various lengths for tassel)

Brass connectors or filigree, 2-3 pieces (ex. Very Vintage, Nouveau, Oval
connector

or Julianne, Wendy filigree from www.brassbouquet.com)

Brass charms, small/lightweight (ex. www.brassbouquet.com or
www.objectsandelements.com)

Several lengths of chain, brass, sterling silver, silver or gold toned

6-8mm pearls, baroque pearls, pearl drops, Czech glass beads and/or crystals

6-8mm crystal rondells

Vintage Text, small (to fit in locket, on thimble and/or tiny book)

Vintage Buttons, with shanks

Vintage Rhinestone Earring dangle or crystal dangle (or use one of the puffy
hearts in kit)

Picture, small (to fit in locket or use text)

Mica, small piece to use in locket (or use Satin Varnish I will have available in
class)

Ott Light and Extension Cord

Face Mask or Respirator (if sensitive to oxidizing fumes)

Resource Guide:

www.brassbouquet.com

www.metalliferous.com

www.eurotool.com

www.ameritool-inc.com

www.beaducation.com

www.riogrande.com

www.objectsandelements.com

www.rosajosies.etsy.com

Class Description:

A vintage brass thimble is the beginning component for a necklace I call “Heart Strings”, made using luscious strips of Dupoini silk, snips of fiber, vintage tulle or maybe even simple muslin.

It will be a day of great fun, as you begin adding various lengths of vintage or brass chain, wire wrapped baroque pearls or pearl drops, tiny vintage shoe buttons, vintage rhinestone dangles or fobs, broken bits from a vintage rhinestone bracelet, or perhaps a vintage rosary or a favorite theme of charms! No doubt, you will see your “Heart Strings” soon fill to overflowing.

But, leave room for a tiny book you will design using a piece of hand-etched metal. I will have vintage book paper for you to tuck inside, but bring some of your choosing if you like. This little book will then become one of the special dangles in your tassel, as you attach it to a chosen piece of chain.

Also included in your kit will be a brass locket, which will be the perfect place for a special word or picture...something that surely pulls at your “heart strings”. Along the way you will have the option to dress your thimble, and tiny book with vintage text, or perhaps a tiny crystal or vintage rhinestone earring dangle. I will show you how!

The final step will be to create a simple necklace, using a combination of Dupoini silk, vintage or new chain, wire wrapped pearls and/or beads and crystals. The finishing touch will be a hook closure, of course!

