

facebook LIVE: 9.20.17

Forged Earrings (and Other Curly Q's!)



Facebook LIVE with Kate Richbourg, Emily Miller, and Grace Noland.
Get out your pliers, your chasing hammer, and bench block.
Grab some heavy gauge wire and beads and have some fun!



Hi Everyone!

It's Wednesday, so it must be Facebook LIVE! We love that you watch live or tune in later. This week Kate was joined by Emily and together they shared their recent Bead Retreat memories, and then later in the broadcast, Grace came on to say hello and talk a little bit about her recent trip to the Istanbul bead market. So much creativity!

For those of you who want to get straight to the learning, you can find the the project begins at about Minute Marker 25:25.



For those of you who are new to beadshop.com, we have been teaching and sharing our knowledge of beads, techniques, and design since 1982, when we opened our first store. Kate started teaching wire classes at The Bead Shop over twenty years ago and has become a world-recognized instructor in metalsmithing. And, although we closed the brick and mortar store in 2008, we have continued to share the old and new knowledge with you. We still have many class handouts available for [you to download](#) on our website.

Here are just a few of the wire handouts from the old days:



HERRINGBONE WEAVE



ADORNED COMPONENTS



BEADED BEZEL



ORGANIC RING

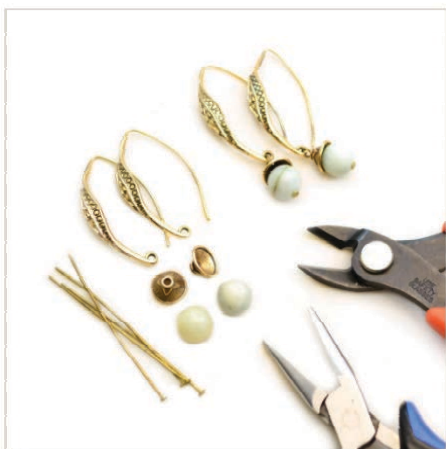


FORGED EARRINGS



WIRE WRAPPED BEZEL

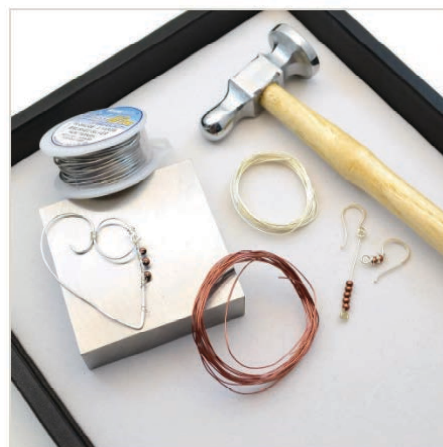
Kate also mentioned her original Facebook Live Broadcast about wire and here's the [link to our archive page](#) where you can find other broadcasts where she delves into wire, forming, and hammering.



EARRING BASICS
1.18.17



WIRE WRAPPING
1.29.17



HAMMERING WIRE
2.8.17



WIRE WRAP BEZEL
9.13.17

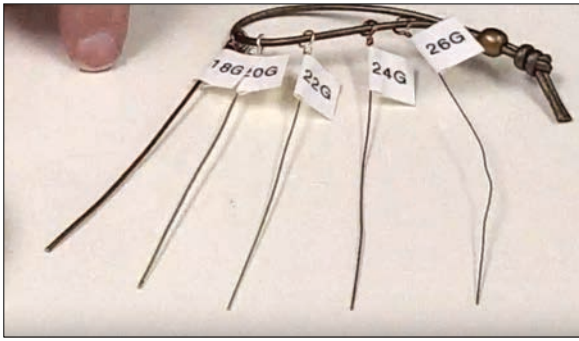


[Picard Bead Museum](#)

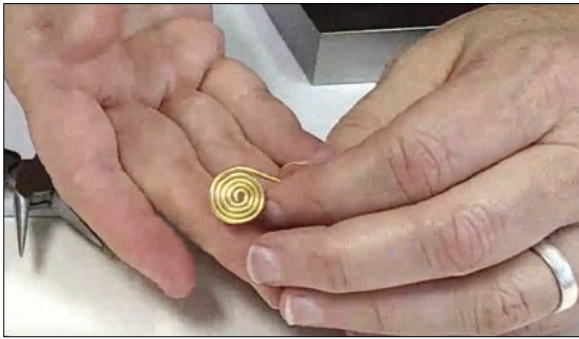


[Istanbul Bead Market](#)

Emily and Kate mention videos taken at The Picard Bead Museum at the end of the bead retreat. We've posted them on [Facebook](#), if you'd like to view them. And, be sure to [watch Grace](#) at the Istanbul Market in Turkey...it's just all amazing!



In Forged Earrings, it's all about wire. Kate talks about wire gauges and how hammering and forming helps harden the wire. To make components like spirals and curly q's, use 16 and 18 gauge wire.



Watch how they create a spiral. Emily does hers a bit differently than Kate.



Hammering is more gentle than most might think. Keep your hammer rather loose and relaxed in your hand and it's more tapping than like hammering a nail into the wall.



Emily works with 18 gauge Antique Bronze wire and Czech Glass Rondelles on head pins.



These techniques will net you components for earrings, clasps, and even chain.



The ladies show you how to easily make your own jump rings.



And for clasps, they demo a Figure 8.



The possibilities are really endless! You can also make your own ear wires out of 18 or 20 gauge wire. This is such a great broadcast. If you've ever been thinking of getting a bench block and hammer, now is a great time...the results are really nice, they make great gifts, and it's very affordable.



For more of Kate and her endless love for wire, be sure to watch her [#FreeTipFriday Video from 9.22.17](#) along with her companion blog post, [Making Wire Beads with Kate](#).



And leave it to Emily and Kate to obsess on next week! This is a true measure of a bead junkie... they can't stop creating!

Well, next week we have the return of Seed Bead School. Emily is going to teach us Right Angle Weave. So, pull up a chair and get comfy. This is a 2 week project. Happy Beading!

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[Earwires](#) (1 pair per pair of earrings)

1 Pkg [Headpins](#)

1 Spool [18 or 16 Gauge Craft Wire](#)

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