

## A79 - Winter Wonderland: Holiday Gifts

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**NOTE** For your convenience and to facilitate your creative process and gift designs, there will be a selection of stones, wire, jewelry findings, and other materials for sale at market price during the workshop. You will be able to purchase what you need for all of the projects demonstrated. (Prices can range from \$0.25 to \$80, depending on the stones/metals you'd like to use.) There will also be some tools available for your use. So if you like, you can come prepared to shop for materials in class while you learn and design and you don't have to bring a thing! (You may also choose to use the materials available in class on the first day, and then pick up your own materials once you've selected your designs for the second day of the workshop.) Practice materials for learning the techniques will be provided for you in class.

If you'd like to bring your own supplies or to be sure to have certain materials – like special stones for some people on your gift list (birthstones, favorite colors, etc) – here are some of the materials you might choose to bring:

### Materials

- Earwires in metal of your choice (sterling silver, gold-filled, gold, copper, brass, etc)
- Beads of your choice (several strands of beads if you want to make beaded necklaces, varied sizes, matching pairs/sets for using beads in earrings)
- Headpins of any style in metal of your choice
- Chain by the foot in the metal of your choice
- Clasps (for necklaces and bracelets) in the metal and style of your choice (lobster claw clasps, spring ring clasps, S clasps, etc)
- Premade chains in the metal of your choice
- Several feet of 26 or 28 gauge dead soft round wire in the metal of your choice
- Several feet of 20 and 18 gauge dead soft round wire in the metal of your choice
- 9 feet of 16 gauge dead soft round wire in metal of your choice (if you'd like to make a classic chain link necklace using only wire)
- Tube crimps in the metal of your choice
- Soft Flex Fine Beading Wire
- 20 gauge sheet metal square (about 4" x 4")
- Stamping blanks (blank pendants for stamping names/initials/designs) in metal and style of your choice

*If you prefer to have your own tools in class so you never have to wait for the shared tools and so you can make jewelry at home, here are the main hand tools we will be using:*

## **Tools**

- Chain nose pliers
- Round nose pliers
- Crimping pliers
- Side cutters
- Flat nose pliers

## **Suppliers**

You can purchase these supplies online or at local retailers. Some suggested resources:

- Ackley's Rocks (tools, wire, clasps, chain, sheet metal, + more)  
3230 North Stone Avenue  
719-633-1153
- Michael's (beads, clasps, headpins, tools, chain)
- Hobby Lobby (beads, clasps, headpins, tools, chain)
- Jackie's Bead Boutique (beads, chain, clasps, tools)  
207 W Rockrimmon Blvd Ste F  
719-599-3800
- Ringsandthings.com
- Objectsandelements.com
- Beaducation.com
- Riogrande.com

*Please contact Sara at 773-931-2744 with any questions.*

*Estimated cost . . . it completely ranges based on the type of gifts you choose to make (earrings, necklaces, etc) as well as the materials you choose. Could be a range as wide as \$30-\$200*