

OFFCENTER PRESENTS

Mary Tafoya

SAT, AUG 15, '09

11AM-1PM

Fee: \$20. Scholarships available.



Art Workshops

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MAKE & TAKE EARRING WIRES CLASS

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Come and learn how to make your own no-solder earring wires! You'll learn several styles that will help you save money and give your earring designs a special, handmade finish.

We'll practice with brass and sterling silver wire and learn to make basic French wires with loops, beaded loops, little nooses, cobras, cosmic spirals, long V's, and variations on those techniques. You'll learn all the hand shaping and finishing techniques you need to make professional looking earring wires, and once you get the hang of that we'll also cover hammering and oxidizing the wire.

The class fee covers all of your materials, but it is highly recommended that you bring these tools with you as there are a limited number of tools to share:

- Small round nose jewelry pliers
- Small flat nose jewelry pliers
- Small jewelry wire cutters

You can also bring, if you have them:

- Small bench block or anvil
- Small jeweler's hammer
- Jeweler's file
- Assorted beads with holes large enough to accommodate 20 ga. wire

Class size is limited to 12.

Mary Tafoya is a nationally awarded bead artist and teacher whose work and articles have appeared in numerous books and magazines, including *Beadwork*, *Belle Armoire*, and *Somerset Studio*. Mary sells her jewelry online at www.marytafoya.etsy.com and maintains a foolish blog called *Seriousbeadin'* at www.seriousbeader.blogspot.com

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