

# Pearl Gate Class Description

## Project Description:

Inspired by the ancient architecture of Japan this piece weaves an eye-catching net of Swarovski crystals, pearls, and wire.

Using a surprising jig, students will learn to make their own spacer bars of wire which are then wired together as earrings or a pendant.

**Skill level required:** All skill levels and ages welcome! No experience necessary, prior wirework is helpful.



## Supplies (in kit):

- 8 feet 24 gauge wire – dead soft sterling silver or gold filled or copper or niobium...
- 2 feet 22 gauge wire – dead soft sterling silver or gold filled or copper or niobium...
- 18 - 4 mm bicone Swarovski crystals
- 6 flat pearls or rondelles about the size of a 4 mm bicone Swarovski crystal
- craft wire for practicing (optional)
- Seed bead variation – 12 feet of 24 gauge wire, 2 feet 22 gauge wire, size 15 seed beads, 10 - 4 mm bicone Swarovski crystals and 2 - 6 mm bead (pearl, crystal, glass bead)

## Tools:

- round nose pliers
- chain nose pliers
- diagonal wire cutters
- measuring tape or ruler
- nylon jawed wire straightener (optional)

**Time required for class:** 3 hours

Most students will complete 2 earrings in class

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