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A shadow box frame (or 12x12 layout) utilizing wire skills which charts your family tree.



TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE CLASS: 2 hours

PROFIT ON COMPLETION: £300 for using **WIREWORK**
£100 for **NOT** using wirework



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Supplies Needed:

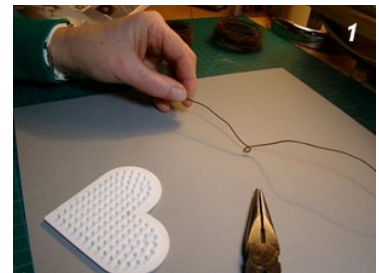
Rusty Tin Wire in two gauges (3m x 20 gauge – medium and 1m x 22 gauge –fine · 2 heart shapes (2cm x 2cm chipboard or wooden one and a heart shaped “Hama” bead board 9cmx8cm from any good toy shop) · 4 pages of good quality paper with script, torn from an old book · 7 Gypsies sealing wax and “Family” seal · Bundled Sage distress ink and foam blending tool · 1 leaf trinket pin from Maya Road · 1 sheet of Collage Press Knave of Hearts “Summers Day” paper · Piece of Kraft cardstock 15cm x 7cm · Linen String · 14” x 11” shadow box frame (The Range) · scrap of toning patterned paper or card

Tools: Martha Stewart Butterfly punch · small alphabet stamp set from Hero Arts · Silicone glue

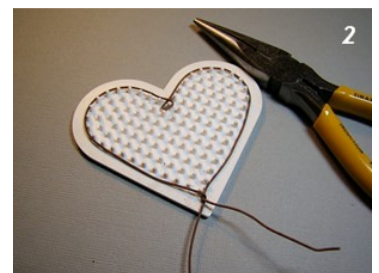
Photos: Small black and white prints 3cm x 5cm of family members, several generations if possible

Instructions:

1. Cut a piece of medium wire, 30 cm long, fold in half over the round nose of the pliers to form a loop.



2. Place loop on top of large heart template in the centre (hook over a peg on the bead board) curl the wires down each side, cross over at centre bottom (do not twist together yet.) Remove from board and make a second heart the same.



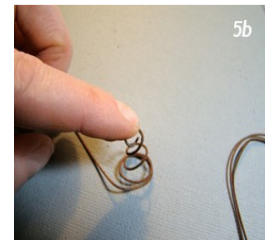
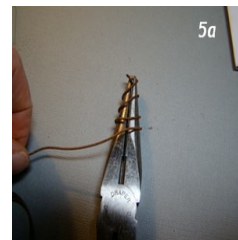
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3. Place one of these wire hearts on top of the other and twist all 4 loose ends together at the centre bottom to complete it. Trim off two wires and curl the other two into a swirl using pliers.

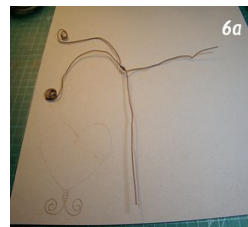


4. Cut wire for the branches; Lower branch 2 x 40cm pieces, Middle branch 2 x 35cm pieces, Upper branch 2 x 30 cm pieces

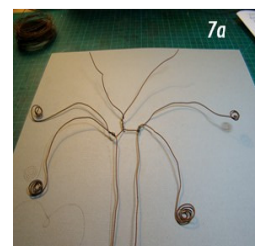
5. Make a photo holder at one end of each of these six branches as follows; Hold the end of the wire in the fine nose of the pliers; wind around in a spiral approx 4 times. Remove from pliers carefully and press down with finger to flatten the spiral. Repeat on all 6 branches.



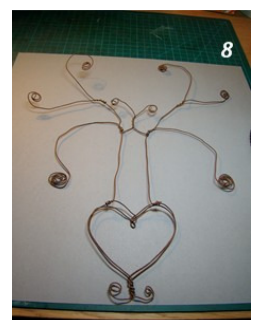
6. Curl lower branch in an arc shape as in the diagram. Pick up middle branch at the rough mid point and twist it onto lower branch two or three times tightly, leaving the long end free. Repeat for opposite side of the tree, in mirror image.



7. Join the two loose ends of the mid branches and twist together two or three times. Curl the remaining long ends around the fine nose pliers to create two more photo holders.



8. Add upper branch on to middle branch by twisting three of four times and then trim off any excess. Repeat on the opposite side. You should now have 8 photo holders. To form the trunk of the tree, fold up one inch on bottom of each lower branch wire and twist three of four times to top of large heart, trim off excess.

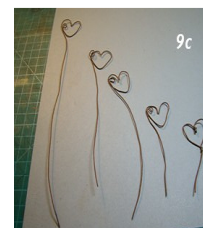


*** At this point consider how many extra photo holders you will need for your family. Print off your photo's approx 3cm x 5cm and plan your layout of "generations." ***



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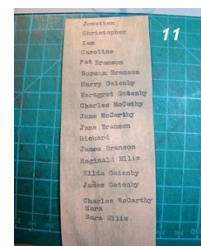
9. To make the extra heart shape photo holders, cut narrow thickness, (22 gauge) wire; 2 x 15cm, 1 x 20 cm, 1 x 25 cm, 1 x 30 cm. Wind one end around fine nose pliers to make a tiny loop, starting at the top left hand side of the heart shape and going around anti- clockwise, curl the wire around your small heart template, carefully forming it into a heart, finishing it by bringing the wire down the left hand side of the heart a second time to make the long stalk.



Repeat with all these wires. Arrange these hearts in various places on the tree, where you will need them for your family, twisting them in place and trimming off the excess. You can leave some of these without photo's, which would look good too.



10. Cut one of the text pages from the old book into 'free hand' leaves. (I needed 12, one for each family member photo.) Age leaves with green distress ink and a blending tool. Cut 12 x 15cm lengths of linen string, attach to the leaves using melted sealing wax and stamp with the "family" seal until cool. Complete all 12 leaves and attach a leaf to each photo holder.



11. Age the scrap of Kraft cardstock using the green distress ink. Print or type the family member's names on to the cardstock.



12. Arrange family photo's on the tree, positioning them in generations going up the tree from youngest at the bottom to oldest at the top. The photos will sit in the spirals of wire or in the heart shape holders. Once you are happy with the placement you can begin to add the names, by applying double sided tape to the back of the Kraft cardstock and then cutting it up into tiny strips for each leaf.



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To mount the work for display:

Open the box frame and work directly on the back panel. Glue the piece of patterned cardstock to the top of the MDF, using double sided tape. To create the grass, ink the remaining pages from the old book paper with mist or distress ink. Tear in half lengthways and fringe along the long edges. Glue in place using double sided tape and curl the edges of the grass with your fingers. Position the tree onto your background and arrange until you are happy with it.

Using silicone glue, place blobs behind some photographs and leaves until the tree is held securely. Make sure that some elements are raised to add depth. Leave to dry overnight. Assemble the box frame to complete the display of your finished page. Add the title to the bottom right hand corner (allow for the frame edge, so it can be seen.)



To mount the work for an album:

Arrange tree to fit on a sheet of 12 x 12 backing paper and secure in place with silicone glue as above, you do not need to make the grass if you don't want to. Add the title by sliding the card between the two large heart shapes and glue in position.



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