

JENNIFER LING DATCHUK

Truth Before Flowers



Finished Artwork Example

PLANT HANGER

Duration: 30 minutes

MATERIALS NEEDED:

1. For each person: 4 ropes that are 54 inches each [18 feet] in length. For 20 people, 360 feet of rope is needed [120 yards] Cords need to be 6mm [macramé cord] Cotton, Nylon, Silk Satin ropes
2. Scissors
3. Beads [that fit the cords], bead opening needs to be bigger than .236" [optional]
4. 1 planter per person [glass mason jar works perfectly]

INTRODUCTION:

1. Visit <https://womenandtheirwork.org/archive/jennifer-datchuk>, watch the artist video and take a look at the images of her work.
2. Talk about Jennifer Ling Datchuk's exhibition and how she creates work about girlhood and womanhood. Focus on the work titled *Loving Care* and how it is made with hair and affirmations.
3. What do the colors mean? [link in other resources] Have students think about what colors they would like to have.

ACTIVITY:

1. Pick 3 pieces of rope. Each rope needs to be 54 inches long.
2. Take the 3 pieces of rope, and fold them in half together.
3. With the loop at the top [the folded section], tie a knot [see step by step example 1] or if loop is available loop knot the ropes.
4. Measure 5 inches down from the top of the knot and tie and knot using two strings. [see step by step example 2]. Continue the knots until you have 3 knots.
5. Measure another 3 inches down from the knots created. Tie the second row of knots. Take two adjacent knots and one cord from each group and tie them together. Continue this until you have 4 knots. [see step by step example 3]
6. Before tying the string together, ensure the planter fits. If it does fit, move onto step 7, if the planter does not fit, adjust the second row of knots accordingly.[see step by step example 4]
7. Then measure another 3 inches from the second row of knots and tie all the strings together. [see step by step example 5]



Step by Step Example



ADDITIONAL NOTES:

1. Adults do not have to make their plant hangers like the example, they can add beads and more advanced macramé knots.
2. Visit Jennifer Datchuk's workshop page at <https://womenandtheirwork.org/archive/talkabout-workshop-tiny-but-mighty> for more examples.

OTHER RESOURCES:

Example from:

<https://liagriffith.com/easy-diy-macrame-plant-hanger/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MaeUZP1zP3w>

Color Meanings:

www.graf1x.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/color-psychology-meaning-emotion-poster.jpg

For more Educational Resources:

<https://womenandtheirwork.org/education-resources>

