

# WOVEN EARRINGS # 1

The Woven Earring #1 project follows a simple Z-pattern bead embellishment model. The 24-gauge wire makes three passes over the 13mm ring, setting three 3mm beads on the first pass, three 3mm plus one 4mm beads on the second pass, and three 3mm beads on the third pass; allowing the last 3mm bead to slip outside of the ring for the aesthetic interest of implied motion.



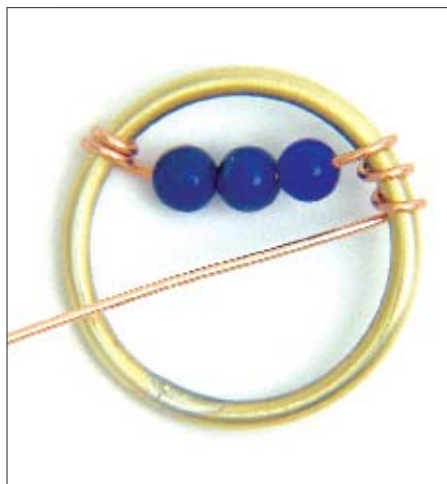
**Tools:** Chain-nose pliers; nylon-jaw pliers; side-cutters; Argentium solder paste; butane torch; Solderite board; and a pickle cleaning solution.

**Materials:** Two 16-gauge, 13mm ID bronze jump rings; two 24-gauge, 4½-inch copper wires; eighteen 3mm blue lapis lazuli beads; two 4mm red carnelian beads; and two gold earring backs.

1. Solder the joint of both 13mm rings with Argentium solder paste and a butane torch on the Solderite board, clean with pickle.



2. Starting with a soldered 13mm bronze ring, wrap a double-loop beginning point with the 24-gauge wire, and add on three 3mm beads.



3. Place the double-loop at 10 o'clock, and bend the 24-gauge wire two loose wraps around the ring at 2 o'clock to secure the beads of the first pass.



4. Add one 3mm, one 4mm, and two more 3mm beads onto the 24-gauge wire to fulfill the second pass of the 13mm ring towards 8 o'clock.



5. Bend the 24-gauge wire two loose wraps around the ring at 8 o'clock to secure the beads of the second pass.



6. Add two 3mm beads onto the 24-gauge wire, bend one loose wrap around the ring at the 5 o'clock position, and add the third 3mm bead.



7. Set the third 3mm bead to the outside of the ring, and conclude wrapping the remaining wire from 4 to 3 o'clock. Repeat steps 2-7 for a matching pair.

**NOTE:** The Z-pattern will be expanded upon to embellish the the 3-ring Propeller Earrings and Bracelet designs in the 5th book.