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Katie starts out with a design using large hole symbol beads.



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Guest:



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1311-1 Inspired by Memories

We can incorporate memories into jewelry in obvious ways with photograph charms or lockets, or in more hidden ways with treasured artifacts and other nods to the past.



Some of Katie's favorite lockets

Clockwise from top:

Sterling silver "wish boxes" are large enough to fit a small piece of paper inside and are available in a variety of styles including the butterfly and spiral designs shown here, www.artbeads.com.

This pocket watch-style locket can be used as a wearable shadowbox. There's plenty of room inside for miniature treasures, www.rings-things.com.

It's easy to make customized creations with these options from Rio Grande: place a photo inside the small glass locket or glue a cabochon or photo onto the front of the silver locket, www.riogrande.com.

Check out Katie's Finds in *Beadwork* magazine for the latest and greatest products for beading!



Make Your Own Memory Jewelry

Materials & Tools

25mm round 2-hole KatiedidsTM Creative Component 12mm round photograph 6/0 matte purple seed beads 7" length of patterned round link chain .008 frost WildFireTM beading thread & beading needle* Silver toggle clasp and head pin Resin or acrylic glaze

Instructions

- 1. Open the first and last links on the bracelet and attach half of the clasp to each end.
- 2. Pass a head pin out through a hole on the circle component.
- 3. Cut a 6" length of thread and thread it onto the needle. Pass it through enough seed beads to form a ring inside the channel of the circle component. Tie a knot.
- 4. Place a small amount of resin or glaze inside the channel and the center opening (bezel). Press the seed bead ring down into the channel and place the picture in the center opening.
- 5. Add a little bit more resin or glaze over the photo; let it dry.
- 6. Make a wrapped loop to attach the charm near the toggle ring at the end of the bracelet.
- *If you prefer, you can use thin beading wire instead.

Beadalon thread, findings and tools, www.beadalon.com.



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