

Oberlin Fiber Bombing in Circles 2020

In conjunction with FAVA's *The Artist As Quiltmaker XIX*, fiber artists of all ages are invited to contribute to the fourth fiber bombing of the white oak tree in the Oberlin Center for the Art's front yard. All fiber techniques are welcome: quilting, crochet, weaving, and other fiber arts.

Contributions due at FAVA, 39 S. Main St. Oberlin, OH 44074 by April 15, 2020.

East and west side Cleveland drop off locations TBD.

Register your interest in participating by email: aqm.fava@gmail.com subject: XIX bombing

Supplies: Circular objects, such as hula hoops, 9" plastic rings, or embroidery hoops; fabric, yarn, ribbon, or recyclables, etc. No paper materials.

- 9" plastic rings available at this link as well as others on Amazon:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01MRNNN2U/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o01_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

- Macramé rings up to 12" diameter available at DickBlick.com.

<https://www.dickblick.com/items/66909-9012/>

- Embroidery hoops of all sizes always available at JoAnn Fabrics (coupons always available).

<https://www.joann.com/search?q=embroidery+hoops>

- Hula hoops seasonally available at dollar stores, WalMart, etc., as well as online all year at Amazon and other online shopping sites
 - kids hula hoops are 16" diameter
 - adult hoops come in 32", 34" or 36" diameters

A. Quilts

- Decide which circular frame you wish to use, such as a hula hoop or embroidery hoop, and develop your quilt design to fit inside it. See examples.
- Make a double-sided quilt that fits in the ring.
- Circle designs not required. One large block or several, pieced or appliqued, traditional or not. High contrast is the only requirement. Quilts can be squares that fit inside the ring, or circles fitting inside the ring.

- Examples of one two-sided large hula hoop and two small two-sided rings:



- Circle designs within the quilt not required. One large block or several, pieced or appliqued, traditional or not. High contrast is the only requirement. Quilts can be squares that fit inside the ring, or circles fitting inside the ring or over the ring. This is a repeat of the sentence above (except for the last four words.)
- Finishing for square quilts:
 - With right sides together, sew them as you would a pillow case.
 - Do not use batting.
 - Turn right side out and sew a seam $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the edges all the way around to secure.

- Tie or quilt in a few places to hold the layers together.
 - Securely sew ties: 12" long and 1" or 2" **wide double-folded, sewn fabric strips**. Single layer fabric is not strong enough to withstand summer winds.
 - Sew two ties in each of the four corners of square quilts for small hoops. Add two ties to the center of each side if using hula hoops.
 - Attach as many pairs of strips as necessary for circle quilts that are slightly smaller than the hoop.
 - Securely tie the two-sided quilt to the hula hoop, ring or embroidery hoop.
- Finishing for circle quilts:
 - Option 1: Follow the instructions above for circle quilts that are slightly smaller than the circumference of the hoop. Use as many pairs of 12" ties as necessary to secure the quilt to the hoop.
 - Option 2: Place the 4 pairs of evenly-spaced ties before layering the two sides together so they are sewn into the seam. Leave a large enough opening to insert the hoop into the pillow case, Hoops are pliable so they can be bent a little. Hand sew the opening closed securely.
 - Continue as above. Tie the quilt in a few places.

B. Wovens

To weave, stretch an uneven number of warps over the hoop of your choice and then weave around the “spokes” you have created, using yarn, fabric strips, or recycled materials.

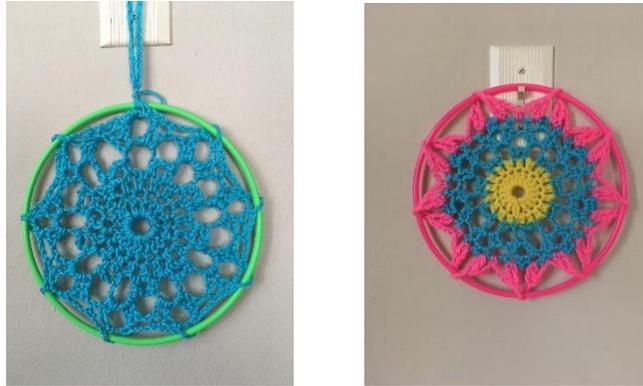


C. Crochet

Instructions for creating crochet on a circular frame can be found at:

[The web page http://naztazia.com/patterns/crochet/motifs/doily/crochet-mandala-dream-catcher.pdf](http://naztazia.com/patterns/crochet/motifs/doily/crochet-mandala-dream-catcher.pdf)

Examples:



To learn to crochet, try any of these websites:

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

https://www.craftyarncouncil.com/instructions_cr.php3

https://www.anniescatalog.com/crochet/content.html?content_id=68&type_id=S&scat_id=368

