YARN-FOR-ALL!
A free-for-all yarn event brought to you by Union Arts

Mini Wall hanging / Small tapestry

Video Tutorials:
Weave on a Mini Loom – 3min 6 seconds
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AWLly-Um7_0&ab_channel=TheMet

Weaving on a Cardboard Loom (part 1) – 4 minutes
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QW2zwr6txdo&ab_channel=MaggieCarberryPasquan
DIY mini tapestry (using a cardboard loom) – 10 minutes 25 seconds
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h8yJPKUq-YO&ab_channel=JordanClark
Step-by-Step

1 – Get a piece of cardboard for the “loom”. Any size will do, but ours was about 3×5 inches. Using scissors, make some cuts along two opposite edges. My cuts were a little less than 1/2 inch apart.

2 – Take some yarn, and tape the end to the back of the cardboard, then fitting the yarn into the notches, wrap the yarn around the cardboard. To do this, you want to wrap around the cardboard tab, then go down the opposite side to make the long lines (see photo 3) where you will weave.

3 – This is what the front will look like.

4 – Next, take a length of yarn and tape one end to the back of the cardboard loom. The other end will be threaded through the loom. I found that if you wrap a piece of tape around the end of the yarn, it’s much easier to thread it. I’ve also seen people use a large needle, but tape works just fine.
5 – Now start threading the yarn in an over under pattern, back and forth across the loom.

6 – When you run out of thread, you can continue with a different color if you’d like. I tied the new color to the end of the old color, but I think you can just weave the “tails” in, if you’d like.

7 – After the weaving is done, turn over the cardboard, and take off the pieces of tape that are holding down the ends of the yarn.

8 – Now peel off the loops of yarn over the tabs along one side of the weaving.
9 – Then slide the other side of the weaving off over the other tabs.

10 – This is what it will look like when you take it off the loom.

11 – Gently pull the loops of yarn that were on the tabs, one at a time, so you can tighten down the edges of the weaving.

12 – Now tie a knot around each of the four loose ends, then cut off the extra threads of yarn. Finished!
Cup Weaving

Video Tutorials:
Paper cup weaving – 2 minutes 37 seconds
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BXuns_YpO60&ab_channel=FlorianGadsby

Pencil Pot Cup Weaving – 6 minutes 14 seconds
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jt7e3ikO1lA&t=2s&ab_channel=JoanWheeler
Cup Weaving templates

9oz cup weaving template

18oz Solo cup 11 slits 1” apart
Pom Poms

Watch this quick step-by-step video before you begin!

https://youtu.be/RDahuw179K8?t=23
Create your pom pom maker by cutting out the template above. Trace it onto the provided foam board (or a piece of cardboard works, too). Cut along the lines you traced so that your foam board will have a slit down the center. Your pom pom maker should look like a chunky “C” shape, as shown.

Begin wrapping yarn around the pom pom maker as shown. You should wrap with neutral tension— not too tight, and not too loose. Each bundle of yarn provided will allow you to wrap your pom pom maker approximately 70 times. Cut off the 10-12” piece that is left over for the “tail.”

With the yarn still wrapped around the pom pom maker, use the “tail” piece of yarn to tie the bundle TIGHTLY around the middle (like a belt). Pull as tightly as you can without breaking the yarn, and don’t let the knot slip! It’s important that the bundle of yarn gets cinched tightly. Make 3-4 knots. After you’ve tied it, leave the excess yarn—this “tail” is what you will hold while trimming the pom pom & also what you will use to attach the finished pom pom to different objects.
Using scissors, cut the wrapped yarn along the top edge of the pom pom maker. (Don’t worry- you don’t have to cut it perfectly along the top edge- a little to the side is fine! You will be trimming it later). Flip it over and cut along the other edge of the pom pom maker. You can now free the pom pom from the maker! Hold it by its tail and give it some shakes. Fluff it out with your fingers and roll it around between your palms.

Trim the pom pom to get the shape you want. To get a smaller, denser ball you will need to trim it A LOT! You can trim it free hand, or create a trimming template. Scan the QR codes on the back for some recommended videos that give great tips about trimming. Be extra careful not to trim the tail off!

You’re done! Wahoo! For earrings/keychain/etc, thread the tail of the pom pom through the metal ring and tie securely.

Basic Trimming and pom pom usage ideas


In-depth trimming techniques

YOU did it!

Be sure to post a photo of your pom-poms!

Tag @UNTunion and use #union-arts so we can find and highlight your creations!

union.unt.edu/art-workshops
Heart Pom Pom

How to make Heart Shaped Pom Pom || Love KeyChain || 4 minutes 47 seconds
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KwdOU1wPp3w&ab_channel=CreativeHomeStuff