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DESIGN WORKSHOP

HEART OF THE OCEAN NECKLACE AND RING
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Materials

SWAROVSKI ELEMENTS Needed:
For Pendant:
- 6240, Wild Heart Pendant, 37x30mm, Crystal AB, quantity 1
- 6721, Starfish, 16x17, Indicolite, quantity 1
- 5328, Xilion, 6mm, Crystal AB, quantity 2
- 5000, Round, 6mm, Indicolite AB, quantity 2
- 5810, Crystal Pearl, 6mm, White, quantity 2

For Ring:
- 6240, Wild Heart Pendant, 12x10, Crystal AB, quantity 1
- 6721, Starfish, 16x17, Indicolite, quantity 1
- 5000, Round, 6mm, Indicolite AB, quantity 2
- 5810, Crystal Pearl, 8mm, White, quantity 1
- 6010, Briolette Pendant, 13x6.5, Crystal AB, quantity 3

Beadalon Supplies:
- Artistic Wire, 26 gauge, silver, quantity 1
- Silver Headpins, quantity 6
- Silver Jump Ring, 6mm, quantity 2

Additional Supplies:
- Crochet hook-size "F"
- Bent Nose Pliers
- Angle edge cutters, or your favorite cutting tool
- Silk ribbon on your choice (Used Here: Class Act Designs-Tiffany Blue)

Tips: When creating the sides of the heart, as well as your ring base – just remember that with your single crochet-you are just creating a mesh effect. As long as the number of stitches across are correct, you are good to go!

Getting Started:

Necklace: First, leaving about a 10 inch tail, you will chain 16 chain stitches, keeping them fairly small. You will then single crochet in the 2nd chain from your hook, as well as every chain after that. You should have a total of 15 single crochet stitches across. Cut your wire, leaving a 10 inch tail, and pull your wire all the way through that last single crochet stitch. Now, gently stretch out your wire piece gently, and wrap the entire length around your larger Wild Heart Pendant, meeting your two 10 inch tails at the top of the

pendant. You will then begin securing the wire in place, by marrying the wires together, twisted the wire down the length of the tail, and then feeding down through the hole of the Wild Heart Pendant, several times. Once you feel like it is secure, feed the wires through the Starfish Pendant, and create a small little decorative coil, at the top of the pendant, and cut your wires. You might even be able to tuck your ends down through the center of the coil to secure.

Almost There:
Next, using your head pins and your Pearls, Rounds, and your Xilion beads, wire wrap a loop at the top of each one individually. Open one of your jump rings, feed it through the top of your secured Wild Heart Pendant loop, and close. Open your second jump ring-feed it though the first jump ring, and feed all of your wire wrapped beads onto the jump ring as well, and then close the jump ring. You can now feed your silk ribbon through the top jump ring, and you are ready to sparkle!

The Finishing Touch:

Your ring will consist of two sections of single crocheted wire.

Leaving a 10" tail of wire, you will first chain 12 chain stitches with your wire. Next you will single crochet in each of the 11 chain stitches, chain 1 and turn your row. You will then single crochet in each of the stitches across your piece, for a total of 3 rows including your first chain stitch row. Cut a length of your wire at 10 inches and pull through to finish off this section, by just pulling your wire through your last chain stitch.

***Repeat the same thing just as you did above.

You will lay your sections directly on top of each other, and use your long wire pieces (only using one from each end) – to "sew" down the sides of your sections to secure them into place. Next you will take the other ends, and as you bring the ends of your sections together (forming a ring with your sections) you will now "sew" your sections together.

Here is the fun part! Using wonderful creativity! Feel free to arrange the crystals in any order you desire - bring the two longest wires to the top of your ring – you can use these wires to "sew" your beads onto the ring section. You might want to use some of your wires from your base ring to "sew" on as well. Once you feel that it is secure-you can take all of your wires, twist them together, cut short, and "hide" them underneath your crystal cluster.