



The HUSKIE HERALD

A weekly newsletter to help keep you entertained and healthy while self-isolating



GET CRAFTY

Check out some simple crafts and DIY projects in this week's issue. Crafts are a great way to express creativity, destress and practice self-care, and add some cool decor to your home!



GRAPHIC STRING ART

This simple yet classy craft is great for crafters who are just starting out.

Materials needed are:

- thread or yarn*
- a wooden board*
- mini nails*
- a hammer*
- scissors*
- art template*

First you need to pick a template for the word or art you'd like to do. Next, print it and place it on your wooden board. Hammer a nail onto each dot of the template and then carefully tear the sheet away. Start at one end of the art and knot the thread around one nail. Next, wrap it from one nail to the next until it is completed. Knot it at the end, and while wrapping remember to leave spaces where there should be.

MACRAME

Macrame is surprisingly simple despite having many complex looking knots and patterns. You can make so many things by using macrame, from plant hangers, to wall art. Check out the tutorials below to learn how to make your own macrame projects!

Supplies needed:
-cotton cord (3.1 mm thick)
-2" brass rings
-rope

The knots you will be using are the half square knot, the square knot, and the loop knot. You will need 8 pieces of 15ft of the cotton cord, one ring, and 2 pieces of 5ft rope for the plant hanger craft. Use this tutorial to guide you through making your macrame craft: <https://youtu.be/AjrCaHAqaBI>

For other macrame crafts, check out these tutorials:

https://youtu.be/RnE4xKgn_GM

https://youtu.be/abl_I6GbKs8

<https://youtu.be/FFMwbmVUwrU>



MAKE YOUR OWN COASTERS

Not only are coasters useful, but they can be a fun and inexpensive craft that you can make.

You can make your own coasters by using a plethora of different materials such as felt, rope, cork, wood, magazines, and even scrabble pieces.

Check out the following links for inspiration for making your own coasters, or even revamping the ones you have! Since there are so many ways and materials you can use for this craft, you can get really creative!

<https://www.diys.com/diy-coasters/>

<https://www.countryliving.com/diy-crafts/g2526/diy-coasters/>

<https://www.homedit.com/how-to-make-your-own-coasters-29-diy-wonderful-designs/>



Ready Reads

All the Light we Cannot See

By Anthony Doerr

Why you Should make Useless Things

With Simone Giertz

<https://www.ted.com/talks/simone-giertz-why-you-should-make-useless-things?ip-next-referrer=playlist-craftsmanship>

Thoughtful Thinking

Shameless Showtime

Tidying Up with Marie Kondo

On Netflix

Macrame history dates back to the 13th century, but decorative knot tying goes all the way back to the 3rd century

Fact of the week