Fan-TAT-istic Fan Pin

Designed for – Palmetto Tat Day 2005

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Materials: Fan Frame
Pin Back
Oren Bayan fine embroidery thread size 50(colors of your choice)
Ultra Fine Tatting Needle
Beads size 10 or 11 (your choice of color)

Weaving:

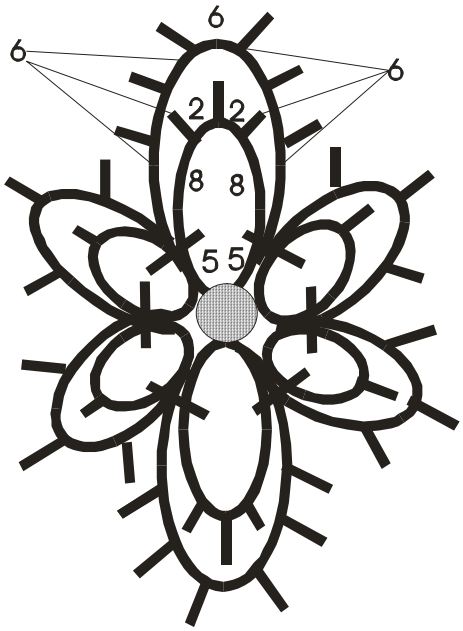
Using five strands of one yard each of Oren Bayan Embroidery thread – tie to base of fan and weave back and forth through the fan sticks until there is approximately ½ yard of material left. Attach the pin back and use the remaining material to tie into the weaving. Weave left over thread ends to the base of the fan and let dangle. These will be worked into tassel later.

Tatting Design for Pin:

Wind approximately 3 ½ yards of single strand Oran Bayan Embroidery Thread or Silk Thread onto shuttle. Pull out approximately 1 ½ yards (to use as ball thread for chains)

With shuttle only following the diagram – Make first trefoil as follows:
Ring 1: 5ds, p (3 times), 5ds, cls.
Ring 2: 5ds, join to last picot of previous ring, 8ds, p, 2ds, p (2 times), 8ds, p, 5ds, cls.
Ring 3: 5, join to last picot of ring 2, 5ds, p (2 times), 5ds, cls. RW
Chain 1: 5ds, join to first picot of ring three, 6ds, p (3 times), 6ds, join to picot between ring 2 and ring 3,
Chain 2: 6ds, p, (6 times), 6ds, join to picot between ring 2 and ring 1
Chain 3: 6ds, p (3 times), 6ds, join to free picot of ring 1, 5ds, join to base. Add bead.

Repeat pattern for opposite side. Fold motif in half and mount to fan attaching 2 bottom chain picots to weaving to hold in place. Pull any extra thread through to base of fan to use as part of tassel.



How To Make The Fan Frame

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Materials: 24 gauge silver craft wire.
Needle nose pliers
Blunt nose pliers with wire cutter
Craft soldering gun & solder.

Fan Construction:

Cut a 19 inch length of wire.

Bend wire at slightly over 2 inch lengths 8 times.

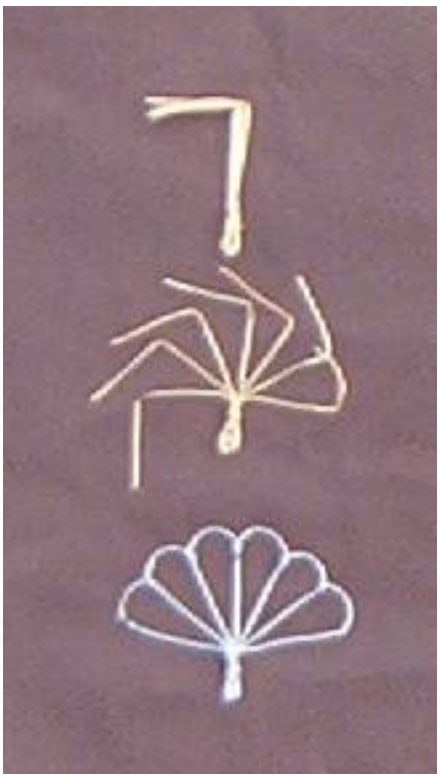
Using the last end wrap at the base several times to make a base for the fan blades. Cut off excess and fold the end inside to cover sharp edge. You will have 7 fan blades

Using the wire cutters cut the bended ends evenly at the top. Bend all the fan blades together 1 inch up from the top of the wound base.

Spread the 7 fan blades open evenly.

With the needle nose pliers, bend each point tip and join to each adjacent wire (at the bend). Wrap the edge and trim excess.

Once all the fan blades are attached and trimmed place a small spot of solder on the tip to cover any tiny sharp edges and to help make the fan pin stable.



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