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# HOW TO MAKE AND USE A PROP BOX FOR PHOTOGRAPHING WIRE EARRINGS

## WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- small, sturdy box (top or bottom) with black, white or gray interior
- a tool in which to drill a hole through the box
- short length of translucent straw or tubing (optional)
- earrings
- digital camera or phone
- tripod
- fine nylon thread
- flat two-holed button
- duct tape

## STEP ONE



- Use a small firm box with black, white or gray interior.
- Drill holes on either side near the front, at least a half inch from the top.
- Insert a fine translucent nylon thread through each of the holes and around to the back of the box.



## STEP TWO



- Thread the ends through a two-holed flat button and tie securely behind the box. The button will help you tie the ends close to the box. If it still isn't taut, don't worry. You can secure the button by duct taping it to the lower part of the box to pick up any slack. Thread should be tight enough to keep the weight of a pair of earrings from sliding to the center on the line of thread.

## STEP THREE



- Hang the earring wires from the thread inside the box.
- If the earrings are sliding too close together, cut a 1/4 to 1/2 inch length of fine translucent straw or tubing as a spacer. I used medical tubing for this demonstration. Cut a slit from end to end so that tube can be inserted and removed from thread, as needed. Use the slit to carefully, put tube onto the thread in the box.



## STEP FOUR



- After the earrings stop swinging and are still, you can set your camera on a tripod and photograph them in the box.
- Crop, lighten and edit your image using any basic photo editing apps or software. If the thread and tube are visible in the image, you will need to use more sophisticated photo editing software to clean up the image, or hire a professional to do the job.\*

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