

Adult Take & Make Ideas for Your Library

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Questions:

- Do patrons help themselves to kits or do they have to reserve a kit?
 - Melissa - both. They have some available to pick up on tables in the library and if a patron is making an appointment to pick up at the drive-up window, they can reserve one
 - Lindsey - both. They have some on tables in the entryway and by the circulation desk. When patrons needed to make an appointment for curbside, they could request a kit. When the library opens without needing an appointment, the kits will be first come, first served.
- Annual Report question - Lindsey counts all the kits picked up for the annual report
 - Melissa does too
- Craft budget for the year?
 - Lindsey - it's part of the overall Programming budget and since they're not spending as much on in-person programming, they have some flexibility in their spending. She aims for \$1-\$3 per person per kit.
 - Melissa - about \$250 per project (total) and she usually makes about 50 kits (depending on the project).
- Partnership/Collaboration
 - Lindsey works with her City Media Coordinator for the filming and editing of the videos
 - [Bright Futures of Wisconsin](#) partnership to help with the packaging and assembling of kits
 - Could also use other local volunteers for this
- Ideas for supplies
 - For the macrame jars
 - Have people use their own jar, whatever kind
 - Canning jars
 - I JUST saw this question. People can definitely provide their own jars, but the measurement for different size jars is different - just a heads up. :-)
 - For packaging supplies
 - Clear poly zip envelope plastic organizer envelopes from Amazon (16 for \$11)
- Microphone recommendations
 - Melissa uses the microphone in her phone. Her voice carries so it isn't a problem. It does pick up everything, though, so be careful in setting things down.
 - Lindsey uses a microphone from their City Media Coordinator

- David Lee King recently reviewed a lavalier microphone on his blog here:
<https://davidleeking.com/fifine-lavalier-microphone-test/>
- Video editing software
 - Recommended in chat: [Animotica](#)
 - SCLS libraries have a video editor on staff computers. You can add music, change the speed, add text, add photos, etc. in the video editor app.
 - Melissa uses Adobe Premier Rush (part of Adobe Creative Suite) and YouTube lets you do some editing
- Royalty free music sources
 - Soundzabound is no longer available through BadgerLink (<https://badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/bulletin/2020/06/soundzabound-music-library-no-longer-available-pbs-wisconsin-education>) but a quick Google search gave me lots of options for royalty free music. Music options may also be available in editing software.
- Do you ever have the list of supplies so that if someone comes along after a craft is done so that people can recreate a project months later?
 - Melissa: I don't have supplies listed, other than saying what they are in the video. However, I have had people ask me for the supplies and I happily share the links.
- Beaded Garden Stakes:
 - Amazon! Copper wire - Melissa's correction post webinar: I had ordered 14 gauge. It's pretty soft. It will work, but I want something a bit heavier I think. I (Remember my "Try Before You Buy" tip? ;-)
 - Instructions will be on their site next month: <https://www.mhpl.org/>