Roundabout Earrings

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featuring Bead Gallery® beads from Halcraft USA, Inc.
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Materials:

10167874	480-800 (1)	Bead Gallery® multicolored size 10 glass seed bead mix
10473068	2	Bead Gallery® gold bead frames
84237	4	Bead Gallery® black faceted glass rounds
105400	68"	Bead Landing™ black 26-gauge craft wire
10443091	2	Bead Landing™ gold tone 6mm jump rings (small)
10421796	8	Bead Landing™ gold tone 15mm jump rings (large)
10443129	2	Bead Landing™ gold tone fishhook ear wires
10443105	4	Bead Landing™ gold tone 2" eye pins

Tools:

10443524	Beadalon® chain-nose pliers (2)
10121797	Beadalon® wire cutters
443525	Round-nose pliers

Level of difficulty: Intermediate

Time – 1-2 hours

Tip: Be gentle with the 26-gauge wire; it breaks easily. If it does break, just wrap a new wire around the jump wire several times and string again.

Instructions:
1. Small beaded circle: Cut a 14" piece of wire. Wrap the wire several times around one 15mm jump ring. String approximately 5-8 seed beads and wrap the wire once around the jump ring, making sure that the wire is covered with seed beads. Repeat approximately 18-20 times, making the wraps close together, until the entire jump ring is covered. Wrap the wire several times between the last few wraps. Trim.
2. Large beaded circle: Cut a 20" piece of wire. Wrap the wire several times around 1 bead frame. String approximately 7-10 seed beads and wrap the wire once around the frame, making sure that it is covered with seed beads. Repeat approximately 22-28 times or until the entire frame is covered. Wrap the wire several times between the last wraps. Trim.
3. Use 1 eye pin to string 1 black round; form a simple loop. Repeat to create a second beaded link.
4. Use 1 small jump ring to attach 1 ear wire to one loop on 1 beaded link. Use 1 large jump ring to attach the bottom loop to the small beaded circle. Use 1 large jump ring to attach the previous beaded circle to one loop on 1 beaded link. Use 1 large jump ring to attach the bottom loop to the large beaded circle.
5. Repeat Steps 1-4 to create a second earring.