



Texas State Florists' Association

Power Point Presentation

For Level 2 Certification Corsage

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CORSAGES

The design of a corsage is governed by the principles of design – all of which apply to a corsage no matter how small. Those of the most obvious importance are:

Proportion – The scale of materials to each other in the design and scale of the corsage to the recipient

Balance – Comfortable balance, symmetrical or asymmetrical

Focal Point – The point at which all stems come together

Additional elements of design of great importance in corsage design are:

Weight – A corsage should be light

Compactness – A happy medium of spacing

Security – Good quality of product and good mechanics

Basic Crescent Shaped Corsage with Mini Carnations



Product to be Used

1. One Miniature Carnation Bud
2. Two Slightly Open Buds
3. Three Open Blooms
4. Foliage

May use Individual Leaves
or a Grouping of Small Leaves

Examples:

Ruskus, Ivy, Pittisporum,
Holly, Elaeagnus, Plumosa,
etc.

5. Floral Tape and Wire

*We do not always get exact sizes of the product
we want, so we make do with what is available
and create accordingly!*

Wiring Foliage For Use in Corsages



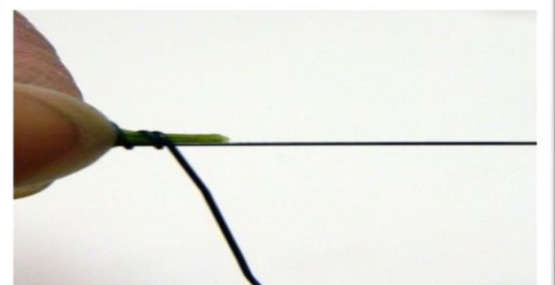
**Hairpin Wiring with
#28 wire**



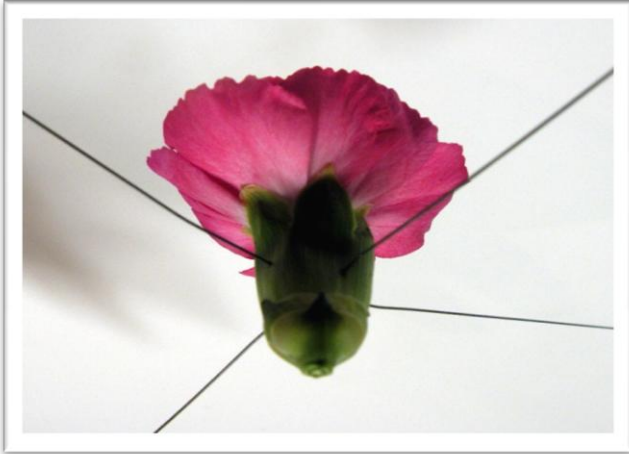
Stitch Wiring with #28 Wire



**Stem Wrapping with #28
Wire**



Corsage Basics Wiring



Wiring of Miniature Carnations

Use one number #28 wire (cut in half) or may use #26 wire, which will make corsage much heavier and add bulk to stem. Cross pierce midway through calyx.

Wrap Calyx and Stem with Floral Tape, Pulling Tight and Smooth



The use of Light Green Floral Tape is similar in color to the calyx and stem of the miniature carnation, taping with the light green makes it appear more natural



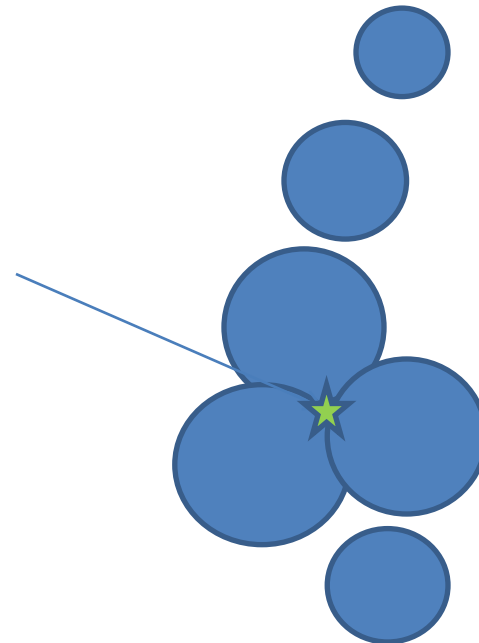
**Creating Corsage: Miniature Bud, Tape, Foliage,
Tape and Slide Down Backbone and Place Open Bud
Taping and Adding Foliage as you go.
Trim Wire as Needed to Remove Bulk**



Grouping of Three Miniature Carnations Creates the Focal Point



The three calyx should come together at the point where the taped stems meet.



Note spacing between flowers

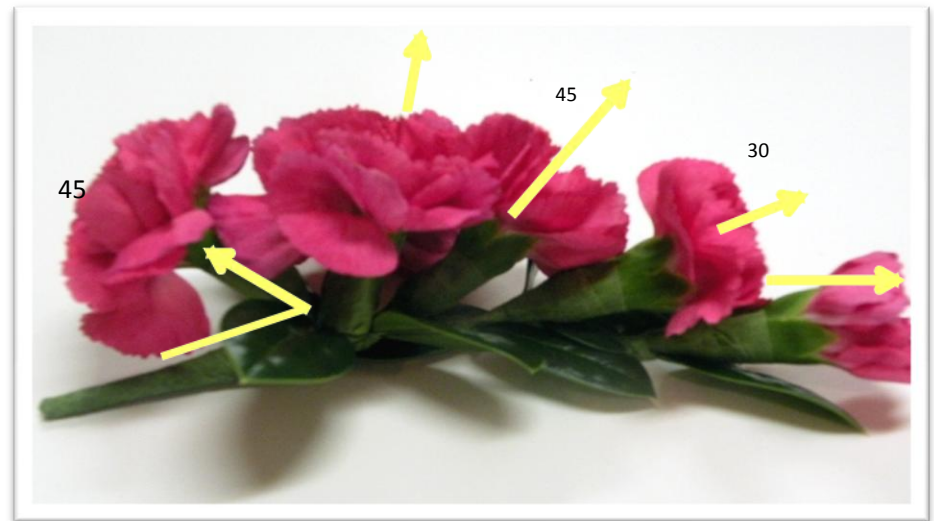
Spacing of Miniature Carnations on Stem

With addition of last bloom, there should again, be noticeable space between focal area and open bud



Placement Direction of Mini Carnations

Creating Backbone of Corsage



Completed Corsage



Basic Crescent Shaped Corsage with Daisy Pom Poms



Product to be Used:

1. One Daisy Pom Bud
2. Two Slightly Larger Daisy Poms
3. Three Open Daisy Pom Blooms
4. Foliage

May use Individual Leaves
or a Grouping of Small Leaves.

Examples:

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Holly, Elaeagnus,
Plumosa, etc.

5. Floral Tape and Wire

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Wiring Foliage For Use in Corsages



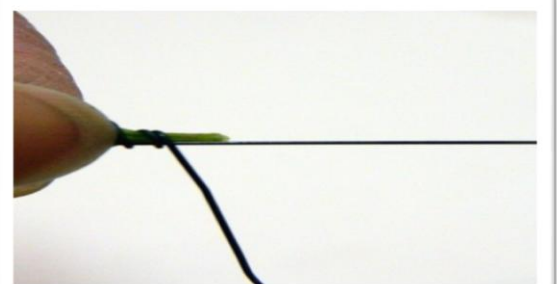
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Stitch Wiring with #28 Wire



**Stem Wrapping with #28
Wire**



Wiring Daisy Poms for Corsage Basics



**Cut stem approximately
 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches**



Cross pierce with #28 wire



**Carefully pinch wire with
your nail so that it lies flat
to the stem. Then tape
stem.**

Creating Corsage: Bud, Tape, Foliage, Tape and Slide Down Backbone. Place Open Bud and Then Tape, Adding Foliage as you go. Trim Wire as Needed to Remove Bulk



Grouping of Three Daisy Poms, Adding One at a Time to Create Focal Area



With addition of last bloom, there should again, be noticeable space between focal area and open bud



Adding the Final Daisy Pom to Corsage



Back View of Completed Corsage



**Mechanics should be
clean and tight**

Completed Crescent Shaped Daisy Pom Corsage

