

# ToCAREtherness Wreath

This project is a collaborative piece to create with family or friends. Caregiver and child will create cut-out hearts and write ideas or the names of people they care about on the hearts. Then the hearts will be arranged in a wreath frame with the help of a friend or family member, taking turns to glue them down.



**AGE:** 4+ (with adult support)

**TIMEFRAME:** 30-45 minutes

**SUPPLIES NEEDED:**

- Paper plate
- Glue
- Fall-colored construction paper
- Scissors
- Metallic pen or light-colored crayon
- String

**VALUES:**

- Respect yourself + each other
- Respect your space + materials
- Respect your art + express yourself

**1** Prep all materials and art space. Supplies needed are listed above. Take a moment to think about what you genuinely care about. What people/things in your life do you care about? What do your family or friends care about? Which family traditions do you both care about? Choose 3 to 5 ideas to include in your project.

**2** Using the colored paper provided, create heart shapes, at least 4 per piece of paper. You can fold your paper into fours by folding your paper in half vertically, then folding it in half one more time. After creating your heart shapes, use your scissors to cut out each heart. Freehand cut or fold paper in half and cut half a heart, making sure to not cut on the fold, which will then create a symmetrical heart. Write the 3 to 5 ideas you care about from Step 1 on your hearts.



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Making the wreath frame. Take your paper plate and cut out the center so that you have just the outer frame left. You can begin by creating a slit in the middle using your scissors and cutting around the ends of the ridges.



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Arranging your hearts. Set aside the hearts with writing on them. Then, using your heart cut outs, take turns with your friend or family member to glue each blank heart onto the wreath frame. You can decide how you want to position or angle the hearts. Once the hearts fill the entire frame, you can add the hearts with writing over the first layer of hearts.



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Hanging your wreath. Take the string and loop it around the frame. You can tie a knot using both ends of the string. Feel free to hang your ToCAREtherness Wreath in your home or a special place to you both!



## HOW WAS IT?

Thank you for taking part in this activity! Do you have any suggestions or questions you'd like to share with us at the Museum? Email [education@thinkplaycreate.org](mailto:education@thinkplaycreate.org).

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