

# Ring in the New Year with Resolutions and Picture Portfolios

*Start the year right by sharing photos and hopes for the future with family and friends.*

## What you'll need

- Photos of family and friends
- Decorative wire bowl with pedestal base
- 14 gauge cable wire with vinyl covering
- Wire cutters
- Needle nose pliers
- Bull dog clips
- Round key tags
- Flat column candle
- Christmas ball ornaments
- Scissors and hole punch
- Decorative papers



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## What to do

- 1 Start with a decorative wire bowl, with a pedestal base or high walls. At a hardware store or do-it-yourself home center, select a spool of 14-gauge cable wire (regularly used for appliance wiring) that's covered in silvery-gray vinyl—or a color of your choice.
- 2 Using wire cutters, clip a 15" strand of cable wire for each spoke of the bowl. Curl each strand as follows, using needle nose pliers for tight curls, and otherwise making loose curls with your fingers. Begin at one end with a tight curl, then bend the next 4" into an S-curve. Wrap the wire at the bottom of this S-curve once around the rim of the bowl and once around a spoke of the wire bowl, ending on the outside of the bowl. Use the remainder of the strand to make another larger S-curve ending with a tight curl.
- 3 Hang a bulldog clip (from the office supply store) from the curl at the bottom of each curvy cable wire. Gather photos and divide into stacks so each stack showcases a different family member or friend. Clip each stack onto the bowl. Add a round key tag to sport each person's name.

**What to do (cont.)**

- ④ Prepare slips of paper so everyone can add their resolution to the centerpiece. Type the word Resolution on your computer and copy it, double-spaced, in a column along the right side of a document file. Print onto decorative papers and cut into 1" strips. Fold strips in half, punch a hole near the fold, and let everyone write a resolution and hang it above the appropriate stack of photos.
- ⑤ Fill wire bowl with a fat column candle and small Christmas ball ornaments.

***This centerpiece guarantees your New Year's table will be entertaining as everyone shares photos and hopes for the year!***