

Textile Tarts
Native American
7" Wall Doll Pattern

Step 1 – Assemble materials

- Kit will be provided to all Nov 12th meeting attendees
 - 9" x 10" piece of muslin
 - Polymer head, hands, and feet
 - 2" snippet of hair
 - 1 yard copper wire
- Scraps of fabric, ribbons, adornments to sew on the muslin
- 6" x 10" piece of fabric for undergarment, in a color that complements your scraps of fabric
- Embroidery floss
- Acrylic paints and brush
- Handful of Polyfil stuffing
- 1 -- 1/8" bead, any color, won't show. Will help keep hair on head.
- Tools: Needle, thread, sewing machine, wire cutter, stuffing fork

Step 2 – Paint head, hands, and feet

Paint the head, hands, and feet with desired colors to match the Under Garment and scraps of fabric. Set aside to dry. Spray with matte finish and set aside to dry again.

Step 3 – Create and cut fabric pieces

Under Garment/Body – Fold 6" x 10" undergarment fabric the long way, draw body and arm pattern pieces on the fabric (without seam allowances, and sew around three sides. Leave the top of each body part open. Cut out leaving a 1/8" seam. Turn arms and body right side out.

Outer Garment -- Sew scraps of fabric onto the 9" x 10" piece of muslin to create your own unique piece of fabric; Trace front, back, and 2 sleeves onto fabric; adorn with embroidery; then cut out. (Keep a 1/8" seam) Assemble, making sure to sew a dart at the top of each sleeve and keep a big hole between body and sleeve so it's easy to turn right side out.

Step 4 – Stuff and Assemble the Pieces

Cut the 1 yard of wire into 4 pieces:

12” – will be used for one foot and up thru head

12” – will be used for the other foot and up thru head

8” – will be used for both arms and hands

4” – will be used for hair and down thru head

Attach feet to each piece of wire and feed up through the Under Garment/Body. Stuff the Under Garment to create the body, placing stuffing in front of and behind the wires which will stick about 5” out of the neck.

Attach a hand to one side of the 8” wire. Feed the wire through the bottom of one of the Arms and stuff it. Set aside.

Insert the stuffed Under Garment/Body into the Outer Garment and bring the wires through the neck of the Outer Garment.

Insert the hand and arm into the left side of the Outer Garment. Stick it through the neck of the body, then out the other sleeve. Push the wire thru the other Arm, stuff with PolyFil, pull taught and attach the other hand. Pull the arm wire taught enough so only the fingers of each hand show out from the bottom of each Outer Garment sleeve.

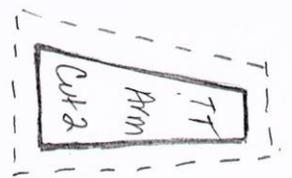
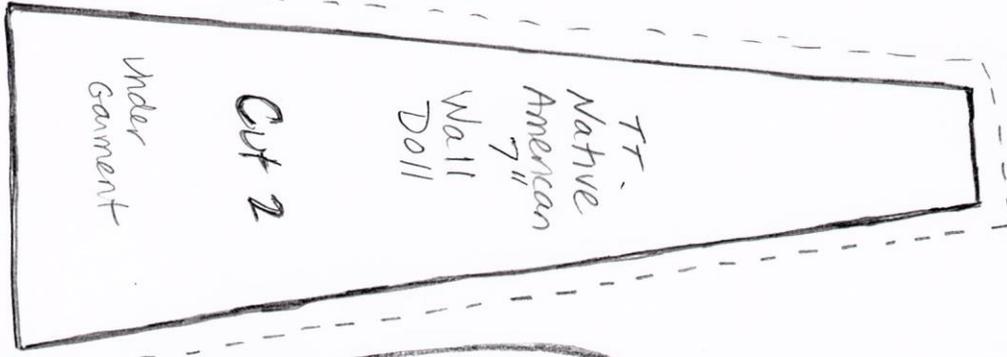
Take 4” wire and wrap it around the snippet of hair twice (nice and tight) and feed the 2 ends down the top of the head. Thread one wire into the 1/8” bead and twist 2 wires together tightly at the neck to secure hair to the head.

We’re almost done.

Feed the 2 wires from the body up thru the head and hair, pulling taught, so the Polymer neck fits inside the Under Garment neck. Twist the wire on the top of the head. Don’t cut the wire.

Twist the remaining wire straight up a few inches, create a loop, and hook it on a wall somewhere!

Visit <https://youtu.be/x8piTCJAh9Y> to watch Lynn make this doll.



Under
Garment

