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#### NUNN DESIGN SUPPLIES:

Patera Bracelet Large Circle - Antique Silver (pblc-sb) Crystal Clay Black (cryclay-black)

#### OTHER SUPPLIES:

Ostrich shell beads\* (www.etsy.com/yvonnesjewels) Faux pearl headpins

#### **TOOLS NEEDED:**

Wire snaps Flat file

\*If you don't have ostrich shell beads - use any flat, white bead with a good hole in the center. Bone beads would work well here.















#### TO ASSEMBLE THE BRACELET

### **STEP 1:** (Image 1)

Lay out your components. Fit seven ostrich shell beads to the bracelet bezels (of a ND Patera Bracelet Large Circle).

(Ostrich shell is great to work with, if you can't fit it exactly, simply file the edges until they fit. Remember, it's an actual egg shell, so they are fairly fragile. Make sure you have seven beads that fit easily inside the bracelet bezels.)

### **STEP 2:** (Image 2)

Trim your faux pearl headpins till you have about 1/8 inch wire remaining. You want enough wire to grab the crystal clay, and allow the faux pearl to sit flush with the ostrich shell bead.

# **STEP 3:** (Images 3 & 4)

Mix the Crystal Clay to package directions. Pinch enough to fill just the bracelet bezel, then press the ostrich shell bead in place.

# STEP 4: (Image 5)

You want a bit of the clay to "ooze" out of the shell bead. If any clay overflows on the sides, remove it with your fingers or a toothpick.

Insert the faux pearl wire into the hole of the shell bead, press into place until flush with the bead. Continue to fill each bezel as described.

## STEP 5: (no image)

Allow to cure at least 2 hours, preferably overnight. Test the faux pearls—if any are loose, add a dab of glue to the base as needed.