# ALYSON SHOTZ A Moment in Time

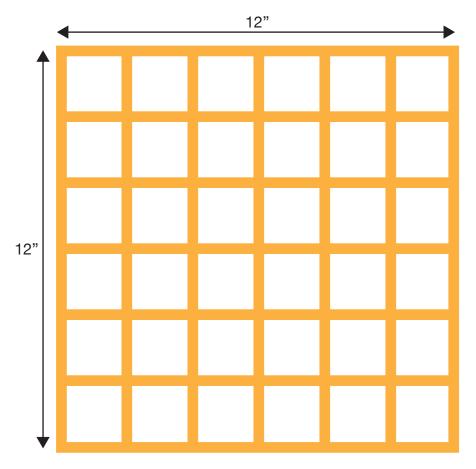


A Moment in Time is a large, delicate sculpture that is hung from the ceiling on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Museum.

What does it make you think of?

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## Make Your Own Sculpture Inspired by *A Moment in Time* !



### Materials Needed:

Fishing line Scissors Transparent beads 1/8-inch-thick balsa wood square dowels (14 dowels, 12 inches long each) Wood glue

#### **String Instructions:**

1. Cut the fishing line into 2-foot-long strings—make as many as you want!

2. String the transparent beads onto the fishing line. Make knots above and below the beads to keep them in place.

### **Grid Instructions:**

1. Construct a 12  $\times$  12-inch square out of the balsa wood dowels.

2. Glue 5 dowels onto the frame vertically. Make sure they are spaced 2 inches apart.

3. Glue 5 dowels onto the frame horizontally. Make sure they are spaced 2 inches apart.

4. Let the glue dry completely!

5. Tie one end of the strings onto the intersections of the wooden grid.

6. Have an adult help you hang your sculpture from the ceiling and observe the light passing through the beads.



Alyson Shotz (American, born 1964) A Moment in Time (detail), 2005 Glass beads, monofilament, steel support Courtesy of George W. and Helen H.B. Logan



Born in Arizona, Alyson Shotz received her MFA from the University of Washington and a Stanford University Research Fellowship in 2014. She is celebrated for her sculptures and installations that transform ordinary materials into provocative embodiments of natural phenomenon, sometimes in relation to visualizing ideas from theoretical physics.