



Making Yucca Cordage/Weaving a Netted Bag

**MAR
28th**

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**MAR
29th**

2-4pm

**Ages
10-adult**

**@ The Gila Valley
Library 411 NM 211**

Part 1, Making Yucca Cordage March 28th

Learn methods of harvesting and processing yucca leaves to produce useful fiber, and the techniques to transform your loose fiber into thread, cord, or rope by the "reverse twisting" process. Class will also include some botanical and historical background on Yucca and its uses, including the many ways it was utilized by Native peoples across the Southwest.

Part 2 Weaving Netted Bag March 29th

Will be focused on using your reverse-twisted cordage from part 1 to weave a small bag in the "knotless netting" or "looping" technique. This simple technique uses a single cord in a spiral pattern of loose knots to produce an openwork, netted structure.

Instructor: Orien MacDonald

All materials and tools will be provided; each student will make a small bag (or get a good start on one), which they can take home and use.

Taking part 1 is a requirement for part 2.

