

# SAINT LOUIS ART MUSEUM

Wee Wednesday: Peace

Book: *Peace Is an Offering* with words by Annette LeBox and pictures by Stephanie Graegin

Art: *Seated Bodhisattva Avalokiteśvara (Guanyin) of Water-Moon Form*, Chinese

*Album Quilt*, American

## Peace Chains

### Materials

- Paper of varying sizes, shapes, and colors
- Scissors
- Tape, glue, or a stapler
- Drawing materials such as crayons, colored pencils, or markers
- String (optional)



### Instructions

- Cut your paper into strips long enough to create a ring. The longer your strips are, the bigger the links of your chain will be.
- Write or draw messages and designs related to peace and harmony on your strips of paper. Think about inviting your friends, family, and community to contribute to your peace chain by adding their own messages and designs.
- To create a link, form your paper strip into a circle by attaching the two ends of the strip with tape, glue, or a stapler.
- Choose another strip of paper and weave it through the inside of the link you already created. Attach the two ends of the strip with tape, glue, or a stapler. Repeat this process to create your peace chain.
- If you like, loop a piece of string through the ends of your peace chain and tie a knot on each end. This will create two loops that lengthen your peace chain and make it easier to hang and display.

### Additional Book Suggestions

*Can You Say Peace?* by Karen Katz

*What Does Peace Feel Like?* by Vladimir Radunsky