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A Chrysanthemum - Step by Step Tutorial

Part I – Round Petal Flower



Sidenotes

This is a step-by-step tutorial on how to make a Chrysanthemum kanzashi. I will show both with round and pointed petals.

I wasn't the first to make something like this though.

The first time I've seen such a tutorial was at [Hatsu Chan's](#) Flickr account.

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You Will Need

- ❖ *Lightweight Silk*
- ❖ *Rice Glue*
- ❖ *Stiff felt or Cardboard*
- ❖ *Tweezers*
- ❖ *Scissors*

You will also need a tutorial how to fold kanzashi petals and make bases. You can find instructions how to do this in my other Tutorial – Pearl Princess Step-by-Step, available here in the Tutorials section.

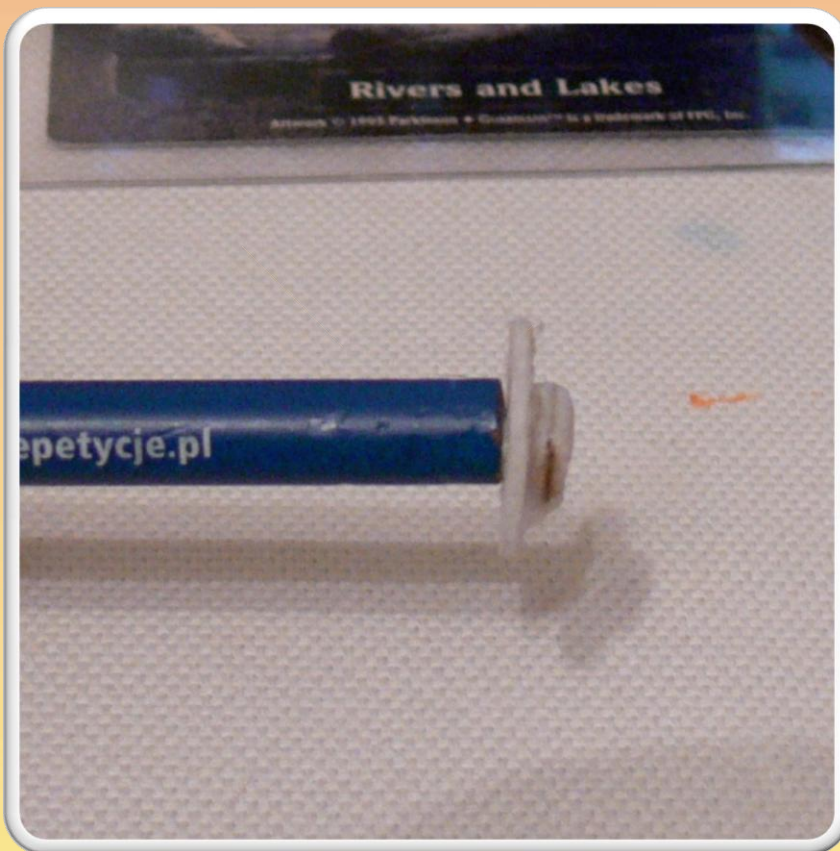
Step 1 – First Layer



Cut the silk into squares and make a simple round base. Don't attach any wire or clip to the base yet, as you may have done in case of simple flowers.

Fold as many petals as you need. My flower will be fairly small, so I made 10 petals. Put them in a layer of rice glue, wait around 20 minutes for the glue to thicken.

Step 1a – First Layer



Now, while waiting for the rice glue to thicken mount the base on something. In my case – a pencil. But make it so you can remove it later.

It's very important!

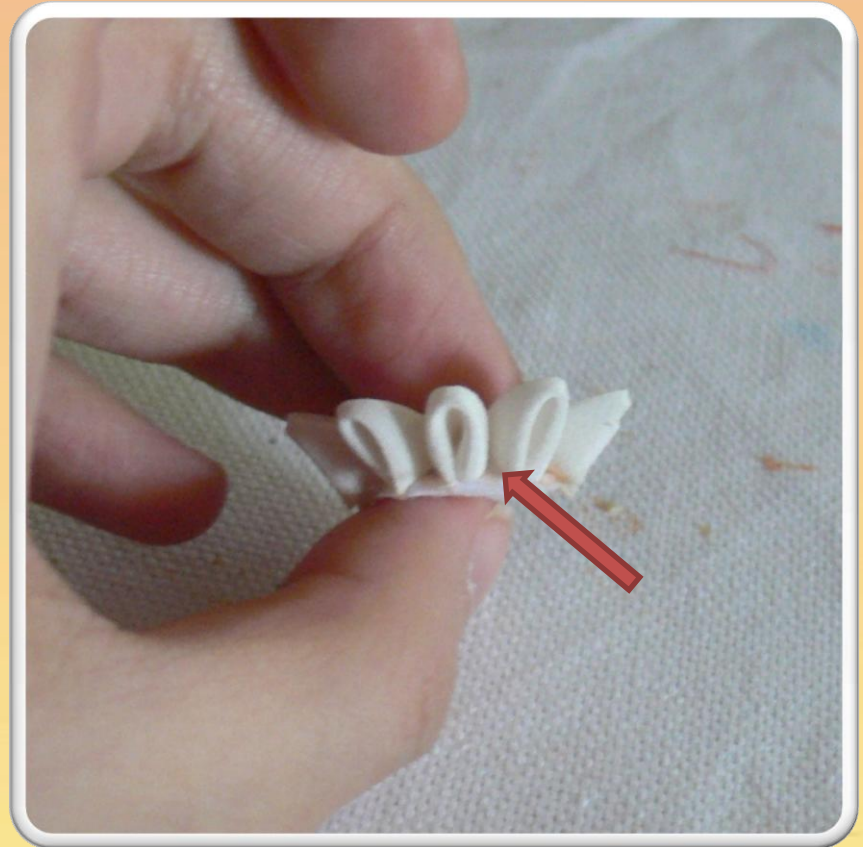


Make a flower according to the Pearl Princess Tutorial. Put some rice glue on the base, than pick up the petals with tweezers and glue them to the base.

Step 2a – Second Layer

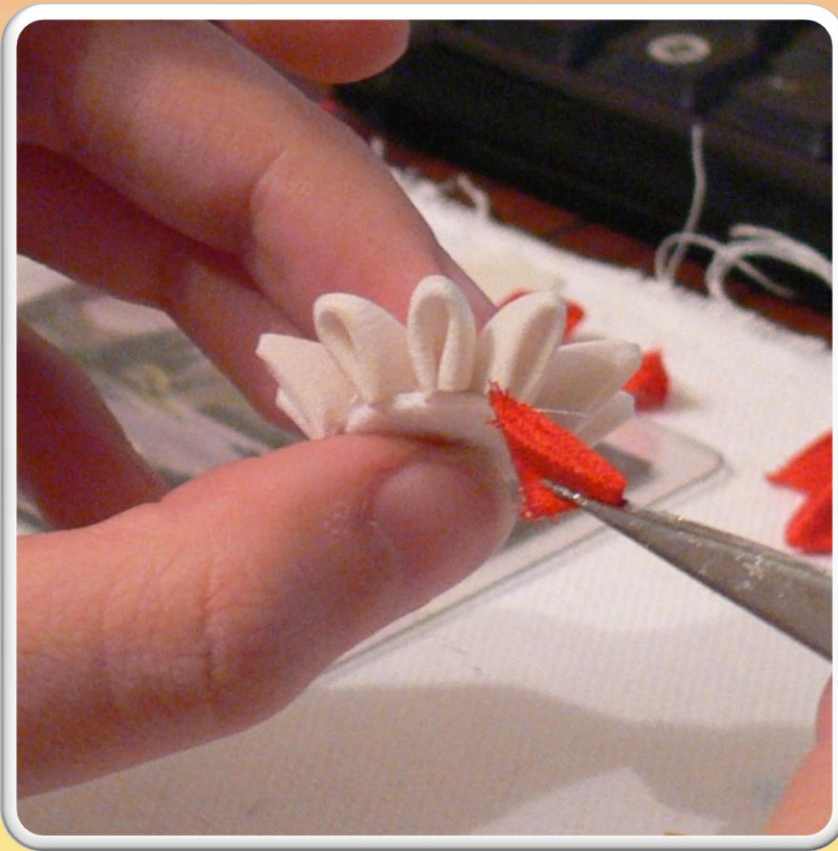


Now make some petals. The number for the second row is just the same as for the first row. Put them into the glue and wait ☺



All right – while you are waiting for the glue to thicken look here. Take the finished first layer off the mount. There are gaps between the petals. These will be filled in a second.

Step 2b – Second Layer



After the petals are ready Take one petal and put it gently in the gap. Do it with all the second-layer petals.

And look! My keyboard!

Here is a side-view of the finished second layer. Check where the petals went.

Step 2c – Second Layer



Cut a bigger circle – more or less 1/3 bigger than the first one. Cover it with rice glue and cover the bottom of the flower with it.



It should look like this...

Ta-Dam!



Here is the flower with the second layer completed.

It's still unfinished, needing the rest of the layers, a centre and some adornments, like leaves.

Note

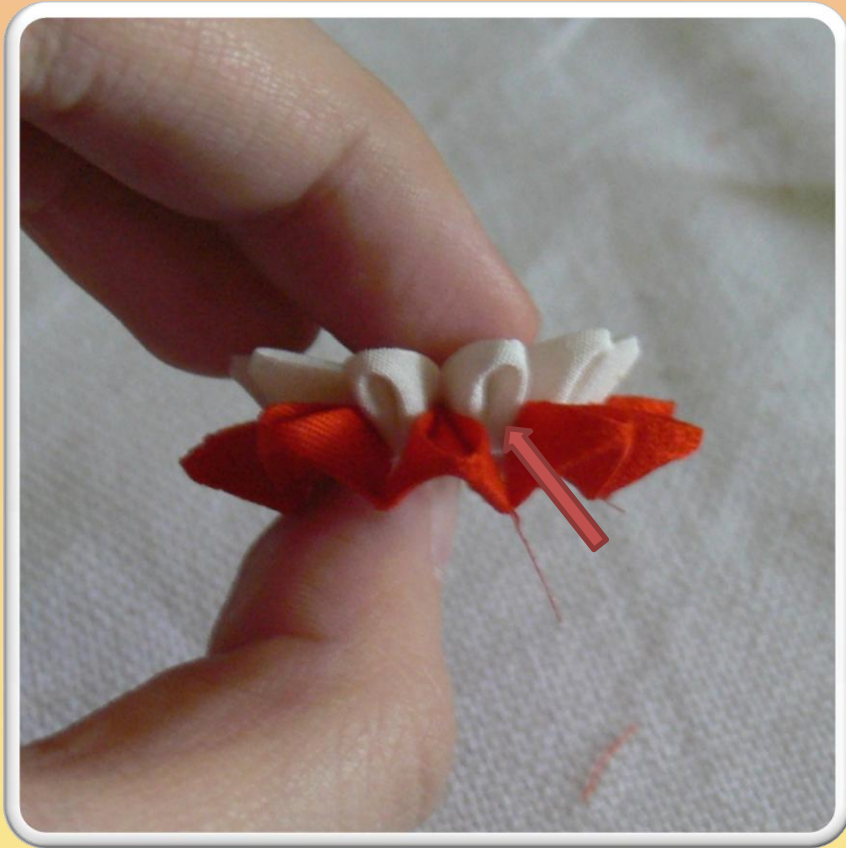
You may choose to finish it at this point or make more petals for further layers.

You can actually make as many as you want, I've seen pointed petal chrysanthemums with eight rows or more!

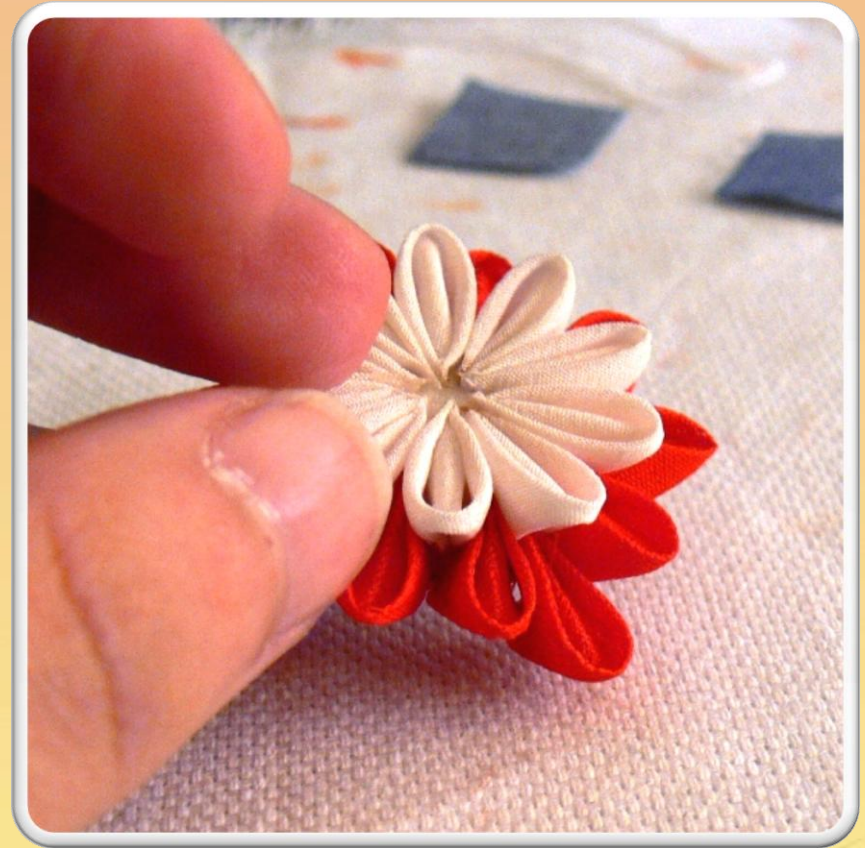
We will now move onto the third layer.



Step 3 – Third Layer



Okay – notice the space under each petal.



With your tweezers slide the petals of the third layer into the space shown on the previous photo. This is why you have to use rice glue. If you used any other glue the petals are probably glued by now and you won't be able to slide the third layer into place.

Step 3b – Third Layer



Half way through with the third layer...



And all way through! This basically it – you've got three pretty layers of petals and can go on as long as you like 😊

End Notes



At this point I've added a centre, which is made from thin silver cord. It is simple, and works with the chrysanthemum's complicated design.



Later I've added some leaves made from multiple petals, and a hairpin to put my chrysanthemum in a bun and wear it proudly!

Thanks for Watching!



Cookies are awesome!