## American Flag Earrings by Sonya Loyd ©2014

Materials: 2-3 shuttles and size 20 thread in...three colors, Red for hardiness and valor, Blue for vigilance, perseverance, and justice, and White for purity.

10 white or clear seed beads for stars.

## Blue Field -

R 3-3-3-3 clr rw Ch 3-3, Rw R 3 bead+3-3-3, clr rw Ch 3-3, Rw R 3 bead+3-3-3, clr rw Ch 3-3, Rw R 3 bead+3-3-3, clr rw Ch 3-3, Rw R 3 bead+3-3 bead+3, clr rw Ch 3-3, Rw Lock Chain 12 half stitches, first half

Lock Chain 12 half stitches, first half flipped, second half not flipped. Rw. R 8. close and hide ends



Stripes: two shuttles, one with red the other white thread Stripes 1 and 2

Join red thread to second picot from lock chain

R 3+ to base of blue ring 6-3, clr rw

Join white thread to the same picot to which the red thread was joined.

R 3+ to base of the next blue ring moving clockwise 3-3-3, close, dnrw (dnrw) Ch 3. dnrw

Red shuttle R 3+6-3, clr rw. White Shuttle R 3+3-3-3, clr, dnrw

Ch 3, dnrw. Repeat until you have seven rings. Hide ends.

## Stripes 3 and 4

R 6+ to second picot from lock chain going counter clockwise 3-3, clr rw Join white thread to base of last ring.

R 6-3-3, clr rw. Ch 3

Red shuttle R 3+3+ to base of blue ring 3-3, clr rw

White shuttle R 3+3-3-3, clr rw. Ch 3

Red shuttle R 3+3+ to next blue picot 3-3, clr rw

White shuttle R 3+3-3-3, clr rw. \*Ch 3

Red shuttle R 3+3+ to first white ring 3-3, clr rw

White shuttle R 3+3-3-3, clr rw\*. Ch 3. Repeat from \* to \* to end of previous stripe. Stripe 5

Using the red shuttle only and a 1 yd. long tail, join thread to picot of the first white ring in the last stripe.

R 9-3, clr rw. \*Ch 3, Lock join to ring of the next white ring, rw

R 3+6-3, clr rw\* Repeat from \* to \* to end of previous stripe

Hide ends. Attach jump ring to earing finding and to tatted blue ring.