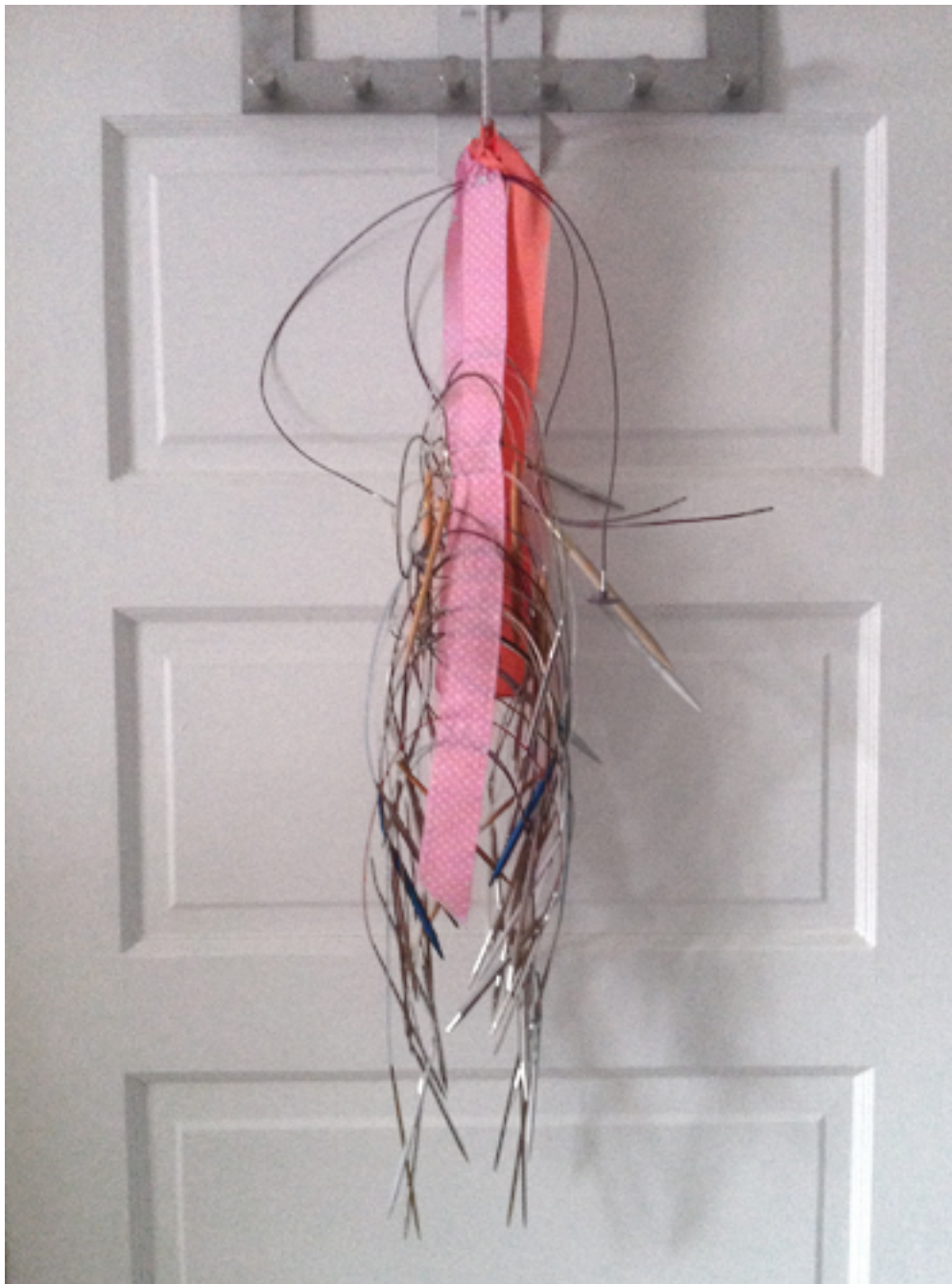


Hi all. Kate here. The beginning of the year is always filled with good resolutions for me - mostly about how clean and organized I am going to be ALL YEAR LONG. It's mid February and I haven't given up (quite) yet, so I thought I'd share a little something I made with all of you other good-intentioned people out there. What's the hardest knitting thing to keep orderly? CIRCULAR NEEDLES! Am I right? I've struggled with them for years and have finally come up with something I'm pretty happy with.

Behold the beauty of my circular needle organizer:



It's easy-peasy to make too. Just get some wide grosgrain ribbon cheaply. Mine was about 1½"/4cm wide and I used the ends of two different ribbons that I happened to have on hand. Cut two strips that are about a yard long (which will really be way more than you need). Put them back to back. Thread your machine and sew.



I sewed forward, then back, then moved over to the 2 marker (If I was a sewing person, I guess I would know what this meant. I suppose it's cm?) on my machine without cutting the thread and did it over and over again, leaving about 15"/38 cm unsewn at the end. I suppose it doesn't matter much how spaced your sewing is as long as it's wide enough to let your biggest circular needle pass through when a couple others are already in there hanging by the cord.





Like this!



Then I snipped the thread between the sewing.





Look how neat and perfect it is! (haha) Having a home economics teacher as a mom made me a super sewing lady!



I just tied it to an over-the-door-clothes-hanger-thingamabob that I have on the back of my office door. You could always nail it to the wall, maybe using a grommet to make a pretty hole that won't fray. Or you could tie it to a sturdy hanger and tuck it away in the closet.

I fed the needles through according to size and put my spare interchangeable cords up at the top. When I finally get around to it, I plan on marking the slots with the needle sizes in US and metric sizes. I'm also going to attach a needle gauge to it so I'll always know where it is. I'll update with a photo when my good intentions finally become reality.

If you do this, definitely send us a photo! You can post it to our facebook page.

PS Webs did a [great series of posts on organizing your entire knitting/crochet life in 31 days](#).