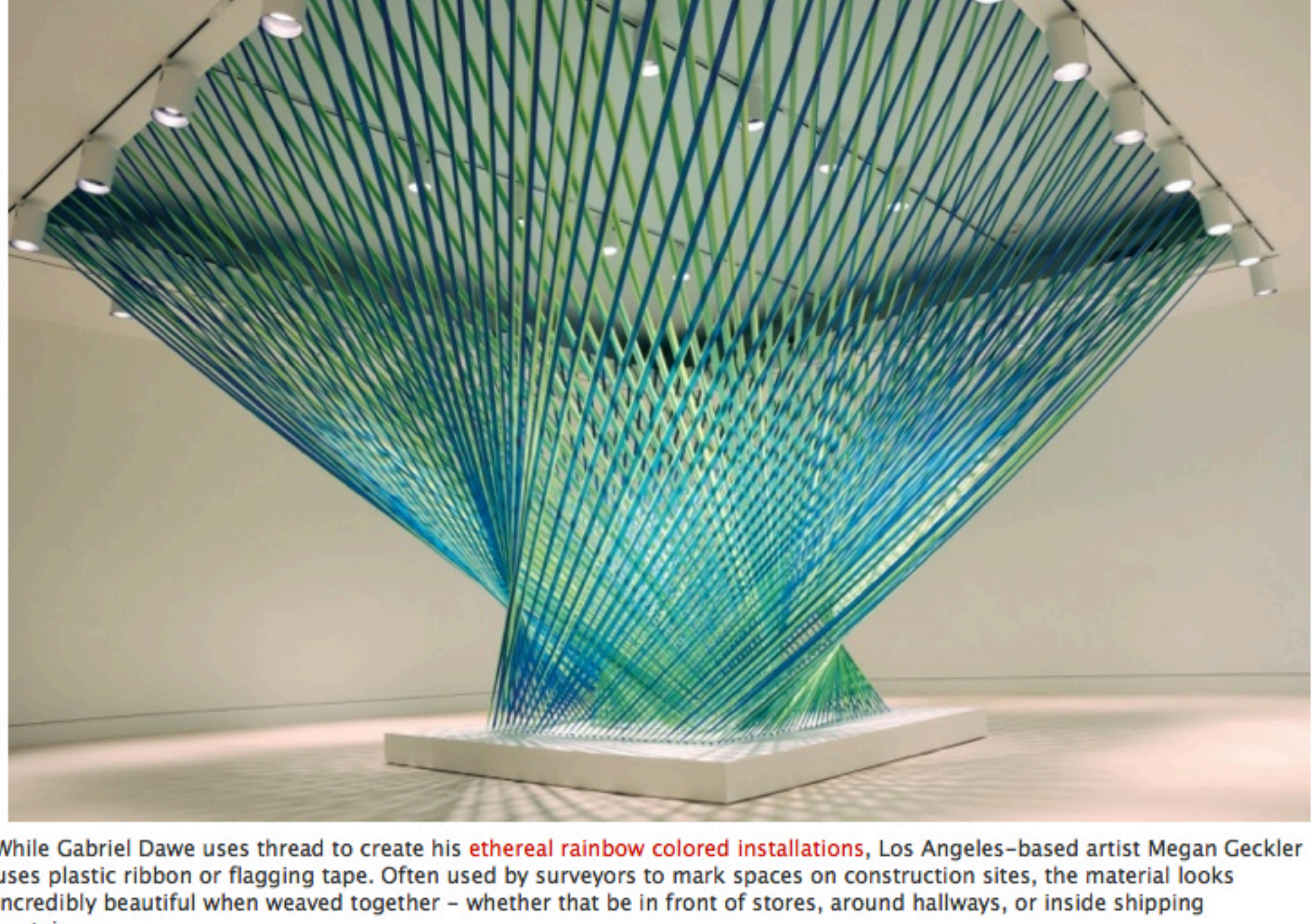




## Beautiful Plastic Ribbon Art

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While Gabriel Dawe uses thread to create his ethereal rainbow colored installations, Los Angeles-based artist Megan Geckler uses plastic ribbon or flagging tape. Often used by surveyors to mark spaces on construction sites, the material looks incredibly beautiful when weaved together – whether that be in front of stores, around hallways, or inside shipping containers.

"When distanced from their intended applications, this material lends a manufactured quality to the pieces. The translucency of the material has encouraged me to experiment with light in later works, designing and fabricating diffusers, or sometimes building around the fluorescent tubes themselves, which share the industrial territory of the flagging tape. The tape becomes the surface and a point of departure for color studies, achieved by layering the material over itself, much like a painter would use a glaze, exponentially increasing the limited palette that is available."

