

Drawing and Painting - beginners and pro

Whether you would like to learn new creative skills or to look into the possibility of a new art-based career, MAE Community Learning courses can provide you with a stepping stone to progress.

This course will encourage creativity in the use of drawing and painting materials whilst working from still life, flowers, seascapes, landscapes and organic forms. Integral to this, you will gain a solid introduction and grounding in the elements of drawing: line, tone, colour, pattern, perspective and composition.

Frequent reference will be made to contemporary and historical drawings and paintings, presenting a wide range of approaches and expression. Each session is carefully structured and timed to enable learners to reflect and respond in more personal ways to their own projects as well as group assignments. Participants will leave the course with some great drawings and paintings as well as improved knowledge, skill and understanding.

Start Date:	09 September 2024
Start Time:	09:30
Lessons:	14
Weeks:	14
Hours:	35.00

Learners will also be given the opportunity to:

* Engage with and respond to a piece of art to practise comparative language and adjectives, which can stimulate and develop creative and critical thinking skills.

* Incorporate relevant mathematical skills as part the course through studying pencil measuring, proportion, shapes, geometrical forms, patterns, balance and symmetry;

* Build their confidence in planning and designing their own personal projects as well as taking part in group discussions;

Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre
Rochester Community Hub
Eastgate
ME1 1EW

What will I learn on this course?

Through active participation in a variety of observational exercises, you will broaden your experience of painting, practice drawing skills, colour mixing, a variety of painting techniques, planning compositions, colour combinations and use of mixed media. The emphasis will be on developing your own individual style and approach.

Is this course suitable for me?

Beginners are welcome but it would also suit students who have already taken drawing or another art course and wish to extend their abilities further. All learners will be expected to maintain both a sketchbook of their ideas and inspirations and a portfolio of their work produced while on course.

Is there anything else I need to know about the course?

Learners will need the following tools and equipment:

PLEASE BRING TO THE FIRST LESSON:

- Basic drawing equipment of your own choice (at least one HB pencil and rubber);
- A sketchbook or cartridge paper to draw on.
- Assessment will play a regular role in your tuition, both initially to set you on the right learning path, and continually during the course to help you achieve personal goals and standards.

Learners will need the following tools and equipment:

Will there be additional costs?

You will need to purchase your own materials as discussed above.

What could I go on to do after this course?

You will be equipped with a portfolio of work and a foundation of core creative skills that will empower your art for years to come.

Medway Adult Education has a wide range of creative courses and works with many partners locally such as Mid Kent Medway School of Art and the University of Kent; information about their courses can be found in our studios, café and on Moodle. Medway has an exciting and wide-range of events, exhibitions, and activities to inspire and help you make further progress - please see the community noticeboards in the Rochester Centre and again on Moodle. Your tutor will be able to talk through with your individual progression options.

Your tutor will be happy to advise you about progression courses, including those offered by other providers.

If you wish to explore your learning, work, or career options, you can speak to a fully trained careers advisor on 0800 100 900. <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/lf> you need further advice, please telephone 01634 338400.

Attendance Policy

In order to get the most out of your course you will need to attend as many sessions as possible. We recommend at least 85%. If you do have a holiday booked during term time, please let the tutor know in advance so that we can help you catch up on missed sessions and ensure that you still achieve the course outcomes. If you are unavoidably ill or unable to attend, please contact 01634 338400 so that we can let your tutor know, and so they can send you any work you may have missed.

How are digital skills used and enhanced on this course

Information technology may be used to introduce skills, techniques, and the work of other artists along with safe internet usage. Whilst you do not need any IT skills to enrol on this course, please do speak to the tutor if this is an area you would like to explore.

Health and Safety

By participating in an art class, you accept that you understand that art involves potentially hazardous tools and equipment and that such activity carries the risk of injury. You understand that it is your responsibility to judge your motor skills and physical ability.

It is your responsibility to ensure that by participating in classes and activities from Medway Adult Education, you will not exceed your limits while performing such activity, and you will select the appropriate level of task for your skills and abilities.

You understand that this is an art activity, and you will need to be suitably dressed, you will need protect your work surface and be mindful of the correct Health & Safety processes when working with art equipment. MAE is not responsible for damage to items or person.

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