

Art Oil Painting Level 1B

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This more advanced oil painting course is designed for learners who have already developed foundational skills in drawing and painting and wish to progress further in their artistic practice. The course focuses on developing a personal artistic style through more complex projects, including themed series, advanced still life, landscape, and portrait studies. Through challenging practical activities and ongoing feedback, you will strengthen your creative skills, build a cohesive body of work, and deepen your conceptual understanding of oil painting as a professional art form.

Start Date: 14 January 2026
Start Time: 13:00
Lessons: 14
Weeks: 14
Hours: 28.00

If you are interested in developing your creative skills, book onto one of our courses from the Creative Arts offer.

PLEASE DO NOT BUY TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT UNTIL YOU KNOW THAT THE COURSE WILL RUN.

Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre
Rochester Community Hub
Eastgate
ME1 1EW

What Will I Learn On This Course?

By the end of the course, learners will:

1. Refine drawing skills by applying advanced techniques, including accurate observational studies, complex use of light and shadow, dynamic perspective, and balanced composition for professional presentation.
2. Extend painting skills by confidently using oil paints and related media to explore advanced techniques such as glazing, impasto, scumbling, and creating complex textures and layered effects.
3. Produce a cohesive series of at least two to three original artworks that demonstrate a sophisticated application of both technical skills and personal artistic expression.

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

Is This Course Suitable For Me?

This course is ideal for learners who have completed a previous oil painting course or have equivalent experience and are ready to develop their skills to a more advanced level. It offers the opportunity to explore complex materials and techniques, build a professional-quality portfolio and refine your personal artistic style.

Is There Anything Else I Need To Know About This Course?

Please be aware that whilst this course is practical in nature some sessions will include theory and professional related training such as H&S, risk assessments, public liability etc

Learners will need the following tools and equipment please do not purchase until you are sure the course will run:

You will need to prepare the following tools and equipment before the start of the course:

- Extended set of oil paints, including a full range of colours
- A wider selection of brushes suitable for detailed and expressive work (flat, round, filbert, and fan brushes)
- A large palette for mixing complex colour schemes
- Palette knives for both mixing and direct application of paint
- Canvas boards or stretched canvases (larger sizes may be recommended for advanced projects)
- Sealable container for odourless solvent (e.g., low-odour white spirit or turpentine)
- Linseed oil and other suitable mediums for advanced techniques (e.g., stand oil, liquin)
- Rags or paper towels for cleaning
- Apron or old clothing to protect against spills

Will There Be Additional Costs?

Learners are expected to provide their own materials for most activities; however, easels and drawing boards will be available for use. A list of required materials will be shared at appropriate stages of the course. Please consult with the tutor before making significant purchases.

What Could I Go On To Do After This Course?

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Your tutor can talk to you about another subject related course available.
You may also wish to explore our accredited BTEC Level 2 Art and Design Skills course.

Medway Adult Education works with many partners locally such as MidKent College, Medway School of Arts 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 your individual progression options.

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>
If you need further advice please telephone 01634 338400.

What Is The Attendance Policy?

Multiple sessions-

To get the most out of your course you will need to attend as many sessions as possible. We recommend at least 90%. 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

Health & Safety

Health and Safety Disclaimer

By participating in the live 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 materials. MAE is not responsible for damage to items in your house / home or person.

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