

Supported Learning - Crafts With Clay

Medway Adult Education, in collaboration with Medway Council, offers a Supported Learning programme for local residents with learning difficulties and disabilities, featuring creative and practical subjects aimed at empowering learners.

Crafts with clay will combine drawing, design, craft and working with clay on a range of tutor led projects. Learners will have opportunity to develop their own outcomes across the projects, but **CLAY WILL NOT BE USED EVERY WEEK** and some projects may not have a clay based outcome. This is not a pottery course, it is crafts that may incorporate the use of clay.

Start Date:	29 September 2026
Start Time:	13:00
Lessons:	25
Weeks:	25
Hours:	50.00

The courses, which encourage confidence-building and community engagement, alongside practical, creative learning activities. Each course includes a Learning Support Assistant to assist the tutor, and enrolment requires completion of an Initial assessment interview within the current academic year.

It is possible to start courses throughout the year, and pro-rata payment options are available. So if you see a course has already started and there are spaces on there then it will be possible to join.

Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre
Rochester Community Hub
Eastgate
ME1 1EW

WHAT WILL I LEARN ON THIS COURSE?

1. Research and prepare for at least one individual project.
2. Research and prepare for at least one group project.
3. Develop art & craft and clay skills to produce at least 3 different outcomes.

Courses will take place in our fully accessible classroom. You will be guided through a series of step-by-step projects by your tutor. You will be able to personalise and add your own ideas to your projects. Learners will also demonstrate a good understanding of working safely with art, craft and clay equipment. They will develop communication skills through group discussions and activities.

IS THIS COURSE SUITABLE FOR ME?

This course is suitable for adults with learning difficulties or disabilities.

Learners must be able to follow simple instructions and be ready to work as part of a group and individually. They must be able to cope in a classroom environment and a potentially busy centre. If learners have unpredictable behaviours or potentially aggressive or violent tendencies that can be triggered by the learning environment, then they may not be suitable for these courses.

Please note that it will be essential to have all relevant information from carers / support workers to be able to support learners. However, if we find that we are unable to support the learner safely we reserve the right to withdraw the learner.

Please call 01634 338400 and ask to book a Supported Learning initial assessment for the SL Art and Craft courses.

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

WILL THERE BE ADDITIONAL COSTS?

All materials and equipment are included in the price.
Learners need to bring their own apron to protect their clothes.

WHAT COULD I GO ON TO DO AFTER THIS COURSE?

Your tutor can talk to you about other subject related course available.

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

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

By participating in the live class, you accept that you understand that art, craft and clay work 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, craft and clay materials. MAE is not responsible for damage to items in your house / home or person.

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