

# Drawing and Painting: beginners to inter

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.

The course aims to develop your confidence and creativity through working on a broad variety of subjects and themes, personal and set, using a wide range of media. Learners will look at important artists and movements in art to understand both historical and contemporary artists and borrow appropriate techniques and motives to aid their own works. You will develop skills and confidence in drawing through careful observation and rendering. Explore tones and types of paper: including watercolour paper, white cartridge paper and various tones of coloured paper to support your work. Incorporate relevant mathematical skills as part of the course through studying pencil measuring, proportion, shapes, geometrical forms, patterns, balance and symmetry.

Start Date:	09 September 2024
Start Time:	18:30
Lessons:	14
Weeks:	14
Hours:	35.00

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. Note that each learner will be set specific targets based on the above and their individual starting point.

## Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre  
Rochester Community Hub  
Eastgate  
ME1 1EW

## What will I learn on this course?

Learners will:

1. Use at least 2 painting and drawing materials from: pencil, graphite, charcoal, watercolour, acrylics, soft pastels, pen & ink.
2. Create at least 2 pieces taking inspiration from a range of artists.
3. Engage with and respond to at least 2 pieces of art within group discussions to develop creative and critical thinking skills

## Is this course suitable for me?

This course is suitable for all levels, but participants will ideally have some prior experience of painting or creative practice in general but this is not essential.

Assessment will play an integral part of the course, regarding student's learning. This will be set and taught on an individual basis, to help achieve the learner's personal goals and aspirations.

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

Every opportunity is afforded to help you to develop your work no matter what your stage of ability. On the whole most people can draw in the same way people can write. It is dependant wholly on your particular aspirations and to what level you want to develop your chosen media or, you may be interested in experimenting and moving to pastures new.

## Will there be additional costs?

Please bring to the lesson after discussions with your tutor:

- Those just starting out in drawing and painting please bring an A4 or A3 pencil sketch book, 2B pencil and sharpener, Winsor & Newton or Daler Rowney putty rubber. Information regarding materials needed as the course progresses will be given at the appropriate stages.
- Your own materials and work box.
- Examples of your work if possible.

You will need to provide your own materials for most activities, though easels, drawing boards and printing tools, will be provided. However, if you don't have any of the materials listed above, wait until you have spoken to the tutor before making too many purchases.

## What could I go on to do after this course?

Your follow on course is Q001059A

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.

### **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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