

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.

This course is designed for those who are either new to painting and drawing or have some experience in painting and drawing and will help you to further develop your work in your chosen media or/and explore other techniques.

These classes are wholly practical with demonstrations by the Tutor in relation to personal and group projects.

During the course there will always be the opportunity to do a collective project, working together looking at a particular aspect of painting, drawing and subject but generally throughout, the tutor will work with you individually or in smaller groups depending on subject and media interests.

Start Date: 06 January 2025

Start Time: 18:30

Lessons: 14

Weeks: 14

Hours: 35.00

Throughout the course it will help to keep a note book, to be used in any way you wish, which will form part of a portfolio of work including your own personal research. This is an excellent way of recording your abilities and achievements and will contribute to any plans you may have to pursue further studies in the Creative and Fine Arts.

Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre
Rochester Community Hub
Eastgate
ME1 1EW

What will I learn on this course?

Learners will:

1. Develop competent use of at least 2 painting and drawing materials from: pencil, graphite, charcoal, watercolour, acrylics, soft pastels, pen & ink.
2. Create at least 2 pieces that demonstrate your understanding of the materials being used.
3. Engage with group discussions to develop your creative and critical thinking skills - referring to at least 2 different artists or art movements.

Is this course suitable for me?

Learners will also have:

An introduction to or further develop your techniques in drawing including drawing using colour.

An introduction to or further develop your ability to translate the third dimension into a two dimensional image using perspective, light and shadow work from still life or alternative recourses.

An introduction to or further develop your ability to paint in watercolour and related media

An introduction to or further develop your ability to paint in acrylic media and related media.

An introduction to or further develop your techniques in water based/ traditional oils.

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

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.

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?

Basic drawing equipment of your own choice (at least one HB pencil and rubber);

- A sketchbook or cartridge paper to draw on - please do not purchase until your tutor has discussed your course with you on the first session;

- Some examples of your drawings and paintings as it would be very useful to see a small sample of your recent work, if you have any, so that the tutor can assess your skill level. 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.

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?

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/> you need further advice, please telephone 01634 338400.

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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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