

Art Appreciation and Participatory Pract

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 suitable for all learners who have a keen interest in art appreciation.

Learners will consider a wide range of issues that underpin the visual arts and will critically assess and explore pivotal concepts, movements, and artistic developments under the theme of "Art and Social Change."

Learners will participate in focused practical activities related to the genre, technique or artist being studied to aid a greater understanding and appreciation of the work.

You will focus on movements like Dadaism, Social Realism, and contemporary activist art and study works by artists such as Diego Rivera, Ai Weiwei, and the Guerrilla Girls, who use their art to challenge societal norms and inspire change.

Start Date: 24 April 2025

Start Time: 10:00

Lessons: 10

Weeks: 10

Hours: 20.00

Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre
Rochester Community Hub
Eastgate
ME1 1EW

What will I learn on this course?

Learners will:

1. Gain an understanding of Art and Social Change.
2. Analyse at least 2 representations of Art and Social Change.
3. Explore at least 2 artistic techniques inspired by artists who explore Social Change.

Learners will also:

Engage in at least two practical activities inspired by how art has been used as a tool for social and political activism using works by artists such as Diego Rivera, Ai Weiwei, and the Guerrilla Girls, who use their art to challenge societal norms and inspire change.

Is this course suitable for me?

This course is an excellent starting point for beginners who want to explore art appreciation as well as those with more confidence.

Will there be additional costs?

A pack of tools and materials will be provided as part of the course.

Learners may wish to bring their own tools and materials to classes but please do not purchase any until after the first session and discussions with your tutor.

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.

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

Health and Safety Disclaimer

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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