

COURSE DETAILS – 4 DAYS 4D0128

TITLE: MAKING CONTEMPORARY ENAMEL BEADS

TUTORS: JOAN MACKARELL AND PENNY DAVIS LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

AIMS OF COURSE:

- During this exciting course the two tutors work together introducing students to the many diverse forms in which contemporary enamel beads can be produced and put together.
- The areas covered include the history and design of bead necklaces; fabrication of metal beads; catch construction; enamelling of 3 dimensional forms; stringing and threading techniques.

WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD ACHIEVE:

- Enamelling pre-formed beads using various techniques.
- Fabrication of metal beads using press forming and bezel setting techniques.
- Construction of a catch.
- Stringing of a necklace.
- Designing a necklace using enamel and beads.

MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES COVERED:

- Sifting enamel, wire work, etching, and liquid enamels.
- Press forming, bezel settings.
- Catch construction including box snaps, magnetic catches, and hooks.
- Stringing and threading techniques.

TEACHING METHOD:

- Group demonstrations.
- Individual project work.
- Group review at end of each day.

EVENING SESSIONS:

- **First evening session – attendance is an essential part of the course:**
Viewing samples of necklaces which include enamel beads, and design. Looking and selecting beads in preparation for necklace design.
- **Other optional evening activities:**
Workshop is open until 10pm – students may work untutored if they wish.

GENERAL TIMETABLE:

- The course is taught in interchangeable groups by both tutors, one in the jewellery workshop, and the other in the space outside.

STUDENT PREPARATION FOR COURSE IF ANY:

Tools and materials for students to bring:

- Metal working tool if available
- Silver sheet between .8 and 1mm thick
- Fine pointed tweezers
- Images for inspiration
- Individual design projects
- Beads and catches if available

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

The tutors instruct students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. Students may work unsupervised on agreed projects once they have satisfied the tutors as to their competence. There may be restrictions on the equipment available to students in the tutors' absence. All Personal Protection Equipment, apart from footwear, is provided by the College.

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MATERIALS FOR THE COURSE:**ADDITIONAL CHARGE:**

On this course the tutors will supply enamels, gold/silver foil and silver and copper stampings on sale or return basis. This charge should be paid to the **tutors** before the end of the course, by cash or cheque. Tutors will also bring on sale and return basis, samples of enamel colours, liquid enamel, beads, foils, crimps, bezel wire, magnets, stringing paraphernalia.

These items will be available for purchase in the College Shop:

Silver and copper sheet	Coloured pencils, drawing materials, sketch books
Silver wire	Stringing materials as used by the bead stringing course
Hand tools	Blythe flux
Fine paint brush	

Please bring any of the above, if you have them, and in addition:

Beads	Jewellery hand tools:
Enamels	– saw frame and blades
Enamelling equipment	– needle files, round, square, flat
Paint brushes	– larger files, ½ round, flat
Silver sheet – 0.8 to 1mm	– pliers, snipe nose, round nose, flat
	– tweezers

COURSE TIMETABLE (unless otherwise stated above or agreed with the tutor during the course)

Course timetable for 2–9 day courses – each course starts with a welcome session on the first evening of the start date of the course and is followed by 2–9 days depending on the length of the course.

Arrival Day	From 4.00pm	Arrival for residential students. Non-residential students please arrive by 6.45pm for welcome chat and dinner.
	7.00	Dinner.
	8.15–9.15	First teaching session.
Daily Timetable	9.15am	Morning classes.
	10.30	Coffee.
	12.45pm	Lunch.
	2.00pm	Afternoon classes.
	3.30	Tea.
	5.00	Classes finish.
	7.00	Dinner.
	8.15	Evening working – students may have evening access to certain workshops in the absence of their tutor, but only with their tutor's permission and provided it is safe to do so.
Departure – last day	10.00am	Residential students are asked to vacate rooms.
	3.00pm	Classes finish.
	3.30	Tea then departure.