

COURSE DETAILS – 3 DAY LW0138

TITLE: MACHINE EMBROIDERED LACE – CREATIVE STITCHING ON SOLUBLE FABRICS

TUTOR: WENDY DOLAN

LEVEL: SUITABLE FOR ALL

AIMS OF COURSE:

This course will explore the exciting use of soluble fabrics to create your own lace creations. Freehand machine embroidery will be combined with chiffons, organzas and fibres, creating delicate fabrics which can be used to create simple garments, scarves or wallhangings.

WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD ACHIEVE:

You will create a set of machine lace samples and work on an individual project to create a unique piece of fabric designed for a garment, scarf or wall hanging.

MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES COVERED:

Freehand machine embroidery worked on water soluble fabrics. Applied fabrics and yarns.

TEACHING METHOD:

After demonstrations of the techniques, you will be encouraged to create a set of samples. Then, with encouragement and guidance from the tutor, you will work on an individual project. Group reviews will be held during and at the end of the course so that ideas can be shared and discussed

EVENING SESSIONS:

First evening session – attendance is an essential part of the course:

An illustrated slide talk showing the tutors own use of soluble fabric in her work. Examples of other artists work will be discussed. There will then follow an introduction to the course, looking at the materials and techniques to be explored

Other optional evening activities:

Lecture: Working on large scale commissions

The studio is available until 10pm for untutored working sessions if you wish to continue with their work.

GENERAL TIMETABLE:

Day 1 Experiment with soluble fabrics and create a set of machine lace samples.

Day 2/3 Design and create their own unique fabrics for individual projects

STUDENT PREPARATION FOR COURSE IF ANY:

Collect visual resources. Look for images depicting texture and line: water, window reflections, tree bark, coral etc. These images can be used as ideas for inspiration.

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

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

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MATERIALS FOR THE COURSE:

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ON PRACTICAL COURSES YOU MAY WELL NEED TO PURCHASE MATERIALS THROUGHOUT THE COURSE TO COMPLETE PROJECTS

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ADDITIONAL CHARGE:

On this course the tutor will supply **some** of the materials. This charge will not be more than **£5** per student and should be paid to the **tutor** before the end of the course, by cash or cheque.

The shop stocks some of the materials required for this course

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

Madeira machine embroidery threads
Sewing machine needles
Pritt stick
Pencils

From the Tutor:

Cold water soluble fabrics
Wooden embroidery frames
Madeira machine embroidery threads
Chiffon and Organza fabric
Silk tops fibres.
White cotton machine thread

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

Sewing machine and darning foot. Machine manual (sewing machines may be borrowed at the College – if booked by returning the slip below)

Scissors

Pins spare machine needles (80, 90 (12,14))

Fabrics – small pieces of lightweight fabric to incorporate in designs

Threads: Machine embroidery threads according to your choice of colour scheme e.g. cotton, rayon, metallic, polyester etc.

Hand embroidery threads for cable stitching and hand embroidery.

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 7.00 8.15–9.15	Arrival for residential students. Non-residential students please arrive by 6.45pm for welcome chat and dinner. Dinner. First teaching session.
Daily Timetable	9.15am 10.30 12.45pm 2.00pm 3.30 5.00 7.00 8.15	Morning classes. Coffee. Lunch. Afternoon classes. Tea. Classes finish. Dinner. 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 3.00pm 3.30	Residential students are asked to vacate rooms. Classes finish. Tea then departure.

SEWING MACHINE RESERVATION FORM

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NAME OF TUTOR: WENDY DOLAN

DATES: 6–9 FEBRUARY 2009

I will need to borrow a sewing machine from the College.

OR

I will be bringing my own sewing machine.

NAME:

TEL NO:

Please return before the 10 January 2009, or with your balance of fees to:

THE HEAD OF WORKSHOP
c/o The Admissions Office,
West Dean College,
West Dean,
Chichester,
West Sussex,
PO18 0QZ