

## COURSE DETAILS – LONG WEEKEND LW0321

TITLE: SCULPTURE IN WOOD FOR BEGINNERS

TUTOR: PETER CLOTHIER

LEVEL: BEGINNERS

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### GENERAL CONTENT OF COURSE:

This course will introduce the necessary skills, techniques and considerations of sculpting in wood. Students will have the opportunity to work in both green and seasoned timber, using a variety of woodworking tools, including woodcarvers' chisels.

Using ideas from nature and the student's imagination, each student will make a small sketch model or maquette in plasticine, to resolve ideas and explore possibilities for their proposed sculptures. Having made a model, students will sculpt in their chosen timber. The factors which may influence the choice of timber appropriate for each project will be discussed.

During the course we will also cover topics such as tool selection, timbers, how to harvest green wood or buy seasoned timbers, finishes and their application for indoor and outdoor sculptures.

**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**

Included in the course fee is the wood and plasticine supplied to students.

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

Paper/sketchbook – for rough sketching  
HB Pencils and rubber  
Abrasive papers  
Timber  
Wood finishes

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

Ideas, photographs, sketches – as source material  
Your own carving chisels and other woodworking tools, if you have any, whatever their condition. (If you do not have any, it is best to use the College tools before purchasing your own.)  
Clothing and footwear suitable for workshop – e.g. apron and sturdy, covered footwear (not sandals)

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**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.

<b>Arrival Day</b>	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.
<b>Daily Timetable</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Morning classes.</b>
	10.30	Coffee.
	12.45pm	Lunch.
	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Afternoon classes.</b>
	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.
<b>Departure – last day</b>	10.00am	Residential students are asked to vacate rooms.
	3.00pm	Classes finish.
	3.30	Tea then departure.