



Grafton Community Library Art Events

The Grafton Community Library presents the following workshops as part of the 2017 Grafton Community Arts Program that has been awarded grant funding from The Arts Center of the Capital Region, through the NYS Council on the Arts.

July 19, 4-6 pm—Pressed Flower Art, taught by Artist Alice Tunison

This 2-hour Art Class will explore the time tested art of flower pressing. Participants will learn a variety of ways to preserve flowers as both mementos and decorative art forms. Each participant will work their unique flower design inside a beautiful frame which the instructor will provide so finished art pieces are ready for hanging.

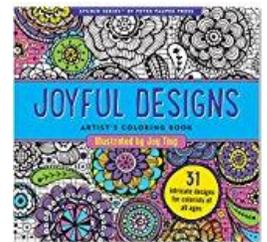


Class size limited to 15 students, adults and children 10 years and older.

Registration Fee: \$15.00 per student

July 29, 9am-noon—Coloring Book Workshop, taught by author and artist Joy Ting Charde

This 3-hour workshop will introduce and teach the students about the coloring book movement. The students will learn the drawing basic shapes and patterns to creating their own finished art piece that can be shared with friends and family. Students will combine elements to come up with different types of nature drawings, they will also learn doodling and basic lettering using basic fonts and how to create different types of letters that can be colored in. They will also learn to draw icons with letters.



Class size is limited to 24 students, adults and teens.

Registration Fee: \$10.00 per student

August 29, 9am-2pm—Introduction to Forging

In this 5-hour workshop, participants will create two cuff bracelets from heavy gauge wire, one in copper and one in sterling silver. We will use hammers, steel mandrels, files and other hand tools to texture and shape metal into a bracelet custom fit to the maker. Through the process of making these bracelets, students will receive firsthand understanding of the way precious metals move, displace and react to tools. This is a great primer for jewelry making and will give students a basic understanding of the properties of metal, opening up a world of ideas for the aspiring designer. Maria Levin, owner and instructor at Sawtooth Jewelry Studio in Troy, will lead this workshop and show examples of other types of jewelry made using the techniques and tools used in this class.



Class size is limited to 8 students, adults and teens.

Registration Fee: \$20.00 per student

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September 10, 1:00-5:00pm—Hydrangea Wreath Making, taught by Niki Russell

This 4-hour workshop will educate students in the history and symbolism of *Hydrangea paniculata* -Pee Gee hydrangea. The topic of pruning and types of drying methods will be covered. Students will be able to apply knowledge of pruning and drying hydrangea by cutting their flowers from mature plants from the Grafton Center Cemetery, located behind the library. A representative from the Grafton Historical Society will present a brief history of the rural cemetery, founded in 1863. Students will prepare the cuttings for a wreath, create a wreath from the cuttings on a frame or use the stripped stems of the hydrangea as the frame to make a wreath. The instructor will provide the necessary tools for the class.



Class size is limited to 15 students, adults and teens. Cost: \$10.00

September 23, 9:30am-1:30 pm – Fused Glass Workshop, taught by Ellie Parker

This 4-hour workshop will focus on both understanding the fused glass process and creating jewelry or small glass pieces from glass. The materials will include dichroic glass, first used in the space program and now has become popular with artists. While this workshop will include an understanding of basic properties of dichroic glass and of kiln use, it will focus on a variety of techniques used in jewelry making and small piece production. This will include ways to make channels in the jewelry to accommodate chains for necklaces, methods for attaching earring including imbedding findings, and gluing bails. We will also discuss a variety of design techniques and the effects of different kiln temperatures on the final product.



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PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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PRE-PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED WITHIN 7 DAYS OF REGISTRATION
(REGISTRATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE UNLESS SLOT CAN BE FILLED)



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