

MAC ART SATURDAYS Course Descriptions

- 9.22.07** **Silk Screen Basics**
Learn the basics of silk screening. How to handle a screen and a squeegee. Positive and negative images and printing. Pigment paint on paper. *Dress for mess.*
Ages: teen – adult
Instructor: Jane Frenke
- Secret Books**
Turn an ordinary used book into a fun and fabulous “altered book”. This week we will be enhancing our pages with hidden pockets and secret messages.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping
- 9.29.07** **Clay Arts**
Come be creative and experience working with clay. Learn how it stretches and changes shape. Today we will use the pinching method to show the variety of forms possible by simply manipulating a single lump of clay with one’s hands. Since the clay must dry and be fired in a kiln, you will not have a final product but will have a fun experience. Please dress for a mess!
Ages: Adult, or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin
- Mask Making**
Make 2D and 3D paper masks such as lions with manes and snouts, foxes with pointed noses and birds with large beaks, etc. Masks will be embellished with sequins, colored paper, and paint.
Ages: 8 and up
Instructor: MaryAnn Haines
- 10.13.07** **Wire Jewelry Making**
Learn the basics of wire jewelry-making techniques. Using pliers and wire, chains will be made for stringing. Bring a favorite item to string or beads will also be available. Includes demonstration of lamp work (glass bead making).
Ages: teen – adult
Instructor: Jill Moran
- Tissue Paper Collage**
Make stunning landscapes using tissue paper. Your friends will never believe it’s not paint!
Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian
- 10.20.07** **Getting Your Act Together, Part 1 (Requires 2 consecutive classes)**
You will have fun learning professional acting techniques to affect positive change in your daily life! Overcome daily challenges by changing the way you think and behave.
Ages: 14 – adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks
- Young Actors Workshop: Improvisation**
Have fun using creativity and spontaneity through Spolin Improv. Viola Spolin’s improvisations inspired shows like “Second City”, “Saturday Night Live” and “Who’s Line Is It Anyway?”.
Ages: 8 – 14
Instructor: Gary McDaniel

- 10.27.07 **Accordion-folded Books**
A brief introduction to alternative book structures, materials, tools and basic techniques. Each student will make a small accordion-folded book, learning folding, attaching sections, cutting, covering and attaching boards.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis
- Altered Books: Print Making**
This week we will enhance the pages of our ordinary book with printmaking! Turn an ordinary book into a fun fabulous “altered book”.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping
- 11.3.07 **Getting Your Act Together, Part 2 (Requires Part 1 as a prerequisite)**
Learn why creative visualization and affirmations are proven to work and help you change the way you behave. Discover how acting techniques enhance these methods to increase the positive impact for lasting change.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks
- Puppet-making**
Make hand puppets with paper heads and cloth bodies embellished with paint, sequins, feathers, leather scraps and yarn.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Ann Haines
- 11.10.07 **Fabric Arts: Spinning**
Watch a spinning wheel in action and learn the basics of spinning with Sam Herrmann and Lori Flood in conjunction with the gallery show “From the Farm”. (NOTE: this is a full-day workshop. Ask for special pricing.)
Ages: teen - adult
Instructors: Sam Herrmann and Lori Flood
- Young Actors Workshop: Dialects**
Join us this month with Kirstin Trump and explore fantastic ways to use your voice. Come away speaking in an accent not your own!
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Kirsten Trump
- 11.17.07 **Decorative paste-papers**
A traditional though much overlooked method of making decorative papers for bookbinding and box-making. Somewhat like finger-painting, paste papers use starch-based paste and pigments to achieve a wide array of patterns and textures. The papers produced can be used in following class projects.
Ages: teens – adult
Instructor: Michael Dennis
- Watercolor painting**
Learn different techniques for painting. Explore how different media like crayons and colored pencils work with watercolor.
Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian

12.1.07 **Foundational Principles of Acting**
You'll have a blast taking your acting skills to the next level, whether you are just getting started in acting, or have been on the stage for years. Learn 5 keys to great acting professionals use.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks

Young Actors Workshop: Improvisation
This may be taken as a single class or a follow up. See October 20 for description.
Ages: 8 – 14
Instructor: Gary McDaniels

Special Holiday Classes!!

12.8.07 **Clay Ornaments**
Make and take a tile or Christmas ornament
Ages: Adult, or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin

Holiday Giftmaking
Make embossed metal ornaments and votive candle holders of aluminum, copper and brass.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Ann Haines

12.15.07 **Felted Ornaments**
Make and take your own special holiday ornament.
Ages: 12 – Adult
Instructor: Ellen Kardell

Gift Book
Make and take a hand-made accordion-fold book with ribbon closure and holiday greeting inside.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping

1.5.08 **Handbuilding Pottery – Making Clay Animals**
Come learn how to pinch out clay critters. Use your thumbs to indent the center of a lump of clay then use your hands to shape it into an animal form. Today we will manipulate single lumps of clay into a class zoo! Since clay must dry and be fired in a kiln, the animals will later become ice house mascots for the learning labs. Please dress for mess!
Ages: Adult, or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin

Mythological Creatures From Re-Cycled Materials
Using paper tubes, plastic bottles, cardboard packaging and other found objects, wire, tape and glue, an imaginative creature will emerge. Creatures will be embellished with paint, fake fur, feathers, etc.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Anne Haines

- 1.12.08 Wire Jewelry Making**
Learn the basics of wire jewelry-making techniques. Using pliers and wire, chains will be made for stringing. Bring a favorite item to string or beads will also be available. Includes demonstration of lamp work (glass bead making).
Ages: teen – adult
Instructor: Jill Moran
- Young Actors Workshop: Stage Combat**
Learn the art of unarmed stage fighting with Brice Williams. Practice slapping, kicking, throws and punches and have a great time doing it.
Ages: 8 – 14
Instructor: Brice Williams
- 1.19.08 Pamphlet Bindings**
The simplest western book structure consisting of a single-section book sewn through the fold. Students will learn a variety of ways to construct covers.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis
- Mexican Metal Tooling**
Create your own Mexican inspired metal wall hanging.
Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian
- 1.26.08 Creating Dynamic Characters**
You never knew acting could be so much fun! You will learn and apply 9 specific techniques to create compelling characters.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks
- Origami-fold Book**
This week we will take an ordinary book and turn it into a fun and fabulous “altered book” using creative folding and origami inserts.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping
- 2.2.08 Handbuilding Pottery – Shaping Clay by Coiling**
Create a work of clay art by rolling out coils of clay on a flat surface, exerting gentle pressure with your fingers, wrapping the rope of clay around itself and stacking the coils to build height. Coils of clay are added as necessary. Many coiled works are round – but they can be a variety of shapes. Please dress for mess!
Ages: Adult, or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin
- Portrait Drawing with Textures and Collage**
Using pictures and proportions a portrait will be drawn. Texture rubbings and colored papers are added for a fanciful effect.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Anne Haines

- 2.9.08 **It Ain't Scary...It's Shakespeare!**
You will find that Shakespeare is easy and FUN as you discover how to unlock the hidden actor clues Shakespeare buried in the text of his plays. **WARNING:** After taking this class, you will become a Classical Theater Addict!
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks
- Young Actors Workshop: Interactive Theatre**
Improvisational sound and movement games and exercises focus on trust, cooperation and support. Concentration and relaxation are added to create theatre, explore working together as a group and to have fun!
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Jill Klein Rone
- 2.16.08 **Japanese Side-stabbed Books**
The traditional Japanese book with folds at the foreedge. Students will learn about paper, making corner caps, and basic sewing patterns.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis
- Polymer Clay Beads**
Learn how to work with Polymer clay, making beads that can be used to make necklaces, bracelets, and hanging ornaments.
Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian
- 2.23.08 **Handbuilding Pottery – Using Clay Slabs with molds**
Working with clay slabs – flat pieces of clay that are sliced directly from a block of clay or rolled out with a rolling pin – we will use molds and drape the clay slabs over the molds to make tableware. We will use different tools to carve into the clay and decorate the pieces. **Please dress for mess!**
Ages: Adult or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin
- Handmade Stab-binding Book**
This week we will turn an ordinary book into a fun and fabulous altered book by learning stitchery.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping
- 3.1.08 **Handbuilding Pottery – Make and Use Clay Stamps**
Learn how to press simple everyday objects into clay to make stamps. We will use available stamps to imprint clay slabs. The imprinted slabs, cut into individual stamps, will be fired later in the kiln. We can make tiles that will be stamped or textured in other ways and talk about coloring the clay with engobes and underglazes before firing in the kiln. *Dress for mess!*
Ages: Adult, or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin
- Dragonfly and Butterfly Design Paintings**
The natural patterns in the wings and the bodies lend themselves to a variety of designs. Using paint and metallic papers they become stunning design pieces.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Anne Haines

- 3.8.08 Dramatic Acting Exploration**
Discover the actor's #1 tool to get to the heart and guts of the character. You'll learn how to connect emotionally with the playwright's material, and have a blast doing it!
Ages: 14 – Adult (*Limited to 8 participants*)
Instructor: Tom Brooks
- Young Actors Workshop: Musical Theatre**
Learn musical theatre vocal techniques.
Ages: 8 - 14
Instructor: TBA
- 3.15.08 Coptic Binding**
A multiple-section book structure first used by the Coptic Christians in the 7th century to sew books through the folds with a linking stitch to attach the sections to form basic western form of the book.
Ages: teens – Adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis
- Polymer Clay: Beads**
Learn how to work with Polymer clay, making beads that can be used to make necklaces, bracelets, and wall hangings.
Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian
- 3.22.08 Badge of Honor: Metal Work**
Basic metal tooling techniques: cutting, filing and stamping on metal and the proper use of many different tools. The project will be a pin that will be as individual as the maker.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Anne Larsen
- Altered Books: Paper Weaving**
Create a handmade spiral-bound book using paper weaving.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping
- 4.5.08 Handbuilding Pottery: Make a Mug**
Wrap a cardboard tube with newspaper, add a slab of clay around it and *voila!* You've made a mug. Experience handling clay around a form. Texture and decorate it and make a handle. Compare various styles of mugs from pottery books and discuss how they were made. Please dress for mess!
Ages: Adult or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin
- Sculpey Finger Puppets**
Using sculpey to form the heads and cloth for the bodies, finger puppets are born! A variety of animals and people can be made.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Anne Haines

- 4.12.08 **Comedic Acting Exploration**
Improve your comic timing, delivery and response. Learn why pace, energy and commitment are so important – and so much fun!
Ages: 14 – Adult (*Limited to 8 participants*)
Instructor: Tom Brooks
- Young Actors Workshop: Classic Pantomime**
Have an active fun morning, while learning the basic skills to be a mime. Brice Williams studied with nationally known mime Reed Gilbert and traveled to Eastern Europe to perform. Come explore this ancient art form and find out how it applies to theater today.
Ages: 8 – 14
Instructor: Brice Williams
- 4.19.08 **Rustic Bindings**
A multiple-section book sewn onto supports which are laced into a heavy paper cover. The student will learn a basic approach to sewing a multiple-section book and how to make a simple yet durable rustic covering for the book.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis
- 2D and 3D Arts**
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Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian
- 4.26.08 **Metal Work with Stamps and Hammers**
Cutting, filing and stamping on metal to create a bookmark or other small, finished, metal piece. Other skills include using patinas and burnishing metal.
Ages: teens – adults (class size limited)
Instructor: Anne Larsen
- Handmade Painted Scroll**
Found poetry, hidden texts and journaling will turn your ordinary book into exciting new “altered” book.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping
- 5.3.08 **Handbuilding Pottery – Combining Clay Techniques: Pinch, Coil, and Slab**
Working with clay coils, pinchpots and slabs to make simple sculptures. Class will pool the various parts made by different techniques into a group sculpture. Dress for mess!
Ages: Adult, or child accompanied by adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Lynn Lavin
- Youth Batik**
Using djanting needles and hot wax a design or picture is drawn onto cloth. A variety of color dyes are then painted onto the fabric.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Anne Haines

5.10.08 **Theater: The Ultimate Audition**
Learn the 5 critical steps to creating a winning audition. You will identify your strengths and how to improve your weaknesses; pick audition pieces that work for you; fire fear and boost your self-confidence, and turn your auditions into winning performances.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks

Young Actors Workshop: Art of Clowning
Clowning isn't your typical Ronald McDonald. Come learn how the art of clowning applies to theater. Find your character, engage with each other, use make-up, learn mime and find the humor in the ridiculous.
Ages: 8 – 14
Instructor: Cosmo the Clown

5.17.08 **Cosmic Mobiles**
Come and make a mobile that is "out of this world".
Ages: 5 and up
Instructor: Julia Christian

5.24.08 **Fabric Dying in a Plastic Bag**
Create your own hand dyed fabrics for your art quilts and fabric collages. Gradation, free form tie dying, and shibori techniques will be covered.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Shirley Hilgren

Visual Arts: Altered Books
Turn your ordinary used book into an exciting and fun altered book. This week we will use windows and tunnels to enhance the pages.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping

5.31.08 **Book Arts: Slipcases**
Learn the basic principles of box-making by fabricating a simple slipcase for a small book.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis

6.7.08 **Handbuilding Pottery – Making Clay Animals**
Come learn how to pinch out clay critters. Use your thumbs to indent the center of a lump of clay then use your hands to shape it into an animal form. Today we will manipulate single lumps of clay into a class zoo! Since clay must dry and be fired in a kiln, the animals will later become Ice house mascots for the learning labs. Please dress for mess!
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Instructor: Lynn Lavin

T-Shirt Fashion Design
Each participant should bring two white cotton t-shirts to cut and color. A variety of styles will be explored in cutting, tying and dying.
Ages: 8+
Instructor: Mary Anne Haines

6.14.08 Theater: Cold Readings – 7 Ways to Win
Learn 7 techniques that will remove the stumbling blocks to the actor's toughest audition, the cold reading. You'll also learn how to improve your reading and public speaking skills.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Tom Brooks

Young Actors Workshop: Telling Stories
Make up stories, act out stories and tell tales. Learn to use your voice and body to make a story come alive. Find out how this will help you with auditions, memorization and performance.
Ages: 8 – 14
Instructor: Margi Griffiths

Book Arts: Flutter Books
This sculptural and animated variation on the accordion-folded book is fun structure for artist's books.
Ages: teens – adults
Instructor: Michael Dennis

6.21.08 2D and 3D Arts
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Ages: 5 – 8
Instructor: Julia Christian

6.28.08 Sun Printing on Fabric
Application and sun printing of Phebo paints on fabric. Learn how to block out and get shadow images, crinkle, salt, and other painting tricks that will give your fabrics a noticeable look in your fiber art.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Instructor: Rika Bennett

Altered Books: Handmade Paper and Collage
In this final class you will learn how to take an ordinary used book and turn it into a fun and fabulous altered book using handmade paper and collage.
Ages: Child 8+ or child accompanied by Adult (two registrations required)
Instructor: Jane Ping