

INTRODUCTION TO ABSTRACT PAINTING WITH ACRYLICS - MIXED ABILITY

Course Name	Start Date	End Date	Site	Total Fees
Introduction to Abstract Painting with Acrylics - Mixed Ability	02/06/2025	30/06/2025	MELTON LIBRARY	42.35

01. Who is this course for?

This course is aimed at anyone who would like to experiment further with acrylics, to try a wide range of mark-making and enjoy painting something unique. This course is designed to be welcoming and friendly, to be able to enjoy learning in a safe environment.

02. What will I learn?

This course will cover basic techniques of acrylics and how to apply in different ways. Techniques will vary from thin glazes, splattering, to thick impasto. You will be given the chance to experiment with applying paint using a range of tools including household items! You will have the opportunity to study other artists and learn from their painting skills. There will also be an opportunity to paint to music.

03. How will I learn?

This is a tutor-led, art class. There will be handouts available, and the tutor will also demonstrate how to achieve effects. As you work on each project the tutor will offer 1-1 help and advice. The tutor will phone you prior to starting to discuss the course, and will check how you are getting on each week, making sure that you learn each method before moving onto something new. Please avoid taking holidays during courses. Missed lessons can affect funding for adult learning courses.

04. What will I need to bring?

For this course you will need a set of acrylic paints, a set of brushes, good quality paper either acrylic or watercolour paper (Windsor and Newton or equivalent, please do not buy the paper from The Works) a palette – tear off palette from the Works, palette knives, and kitchen roll. Also before the course, think about what utensils you have that would make interesting marks!

05. What skills or experience do I need?

No experience is needed to join this course, it is open to all levels of ability.

06. How will I be assessed?

The Learning for Wellbeing curriculum uses formative and summative assessment methods to evaluate learner progress. You will work towards completing a set of class learning targets, as well as your own personal development targets. Informal discussions with the tutor will take place throughout the course, both individually

and in groups. Your progress may also be documented through photographic evidence.

07. What could I do after this course?

Upon completing this course, you may wish to try one of our other drawing and painting classes, such as 'Introduction to Drawing and Painting' or 'Drawing and Painting - Mixed Level'. The Learning for Wellbeing curriculum offers a wide range of art, craft, sewing, cookery, dance and creative arts courses for you to continue developing skills specifically aimed at improving your wellbeing. Courses are available to search on the GoLearn website.

08. How will I be supported in my learning?

We aim to support all learners to succeed. Our tutors will work with all learners to meet individual needs by using a range of resources and teaching methods. When you enrol on your course you will be asked if you have any additional learning needs or disabilities which may affect your learning. This might include physical disabilities, neurodivergent needs (e.g., Autistic Spectrum Disorder, ADHD, dyslexia, or dyspraxia, etc.), visual and auditory impairments, or a medical condition which might affect your learning. Your tutor will contact you prior to joining the course to discuss what support can be put in place. For some learners, this may mean organising extra time in exams or arranging for a Learning Support Assistant to support your learning in class. We also offer a wide range of assistive technology such as reader pens, screen readers, large print keyboards and screens, alongside in-class resources such as coloured overlays, large-print resources and more.

09. Is help available with course fees?

Many of our courses are FREE to all learners. For fee-paying courses, if you are in receipt of state benefits or have a low income (£26,211.90 before deductions) you could be entitled to enrol on your course for FREE, or at a 70% Reduced Fee cost. If your course is accredited (working towards a formal qualification) your course may be FREE if you earn under £25,000 before deductions. Some exclusions apply, eligibility for fee reduction is subject to change, and you may be required to provide evidence of earnings. If the amount you must pay for your course is over £50, we offer instalment plans which break down the cost of learning into a set number of easy monthly payments. If you need help with the wider costs of study, such as childcare, resources, travel, and transport costs, you may be eligible to have these costs reimbursed through our Discretionary Learner Support Fund. Visit us online for more details, and to download the online application form.

10. How do I choose the right course for me?

If you are unsure about which course may be right for you, our team of Learning and Work Advisers are on hand to offer FREE and impartial information, advice and guidance on learning and work options available to you. To book your free, confidential, and impartial appointment, please call FREEphone 0800 988 0308 or email LALS.LWA@leics.gov.uk.