

DRAWING AND PAINTING - BEGINNERS NEXT STEPS

Course Name	Start Date	End Date	Site	Total Fees
Drawing and Painting - Beginners Next Steps	06/01/2027	17/03/2027	ENDERBY ADULT LEARNING CENTRE	140.00
Drawing and Painting - Beginners Next Steps	07/01/2027	18/03/2027	COALVILLE LIBRARY	140.00

01. Who is this course for?

This course will support beginners as they improve in a variety of painting and drawing techniques. You will be able to develop skills and gain knowledge and the confidence needed to create your own work. You will get lots of support and encouragement along with the opportunity to explore and experiment with a variety of wet and dry media such as watercolour and acrylic paints, graphite, charcoal, ink and pastels.

02. What will I learn?

You will continue to learn about different painting and drawing techniques. You will develop skills in observing what is around you in order to create. You will draw and paint from a variety of subject and inspirations – such as photographs, life, other art, and your imagination. The aim of the course is to build up skills, knowledge and confidence.

03. How will I learn?

This is a tutor-led, art class. There will be opportunities to follow guided examples and see demonstrations, and also to follow your own ideas and to gain confidence being creative. You will also have the opportunity to talk to other members of the class about your work and to share ideas. Please avoid taking holidays during courses. Missed lessons can affect funding for adult learning courses.

04. What will I need to bring?

Please bring any drawing pencils, an eraser, paints, brushes, and a sketch pad or other paper that you already have. There is no need to get lots of materials before the first session. Tools and materials we will use in the course will be introduced as we go along and you will be given a plan for the term so you will know exactly what you will need each week.

05. What skills or experience do I need?

No previous experience is required. The course is suitable for beginners. It is also suitable for those with some experience but wishing to revisit the basics, for those who have not practised art for some time and want a way back in, or simply for those who have experience but lack confidence.

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 'Drawing and Painting - Intermediate Level', 'Drawing and Painting – Watercolour' or 'Botanical Drawing and Painting'. 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 (£28,733.50 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 £26,800 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 of your next steps, please contact us and one of our team will advise you about our courses or signpost you to other providers if necessary. Please call FREEphone 0800 988 0308 or email adult.learning@leics.gov.uk