

FUSED GLASS - INDEPENDENT LEARNERS LEVEL

Course Name	Start Date	End Date	Site	Total Fees
Fused Glass Independent Learners Level	08/01/2027	19/03/2027	THURMASTON THE ROUNDHILL ACADEMY	246.00

01. Who is this course for?

This course is designed for those who have completed one or more Intermediate fused glass courses who wish to pursue their own area of interest, develop their own style and body of work. This may include the exploration of known techniques and processes or research and experimentation of new techniques.

02. What will I learn?

You will build on your knowledge and experience of previous courses through researching and further developing your knowledge of contemporary and historical fused glass artists to inspire ideas. You will be encouraged to further develop your glass cutting and embellishment skills and aim for more complexity in your designs. You will be introduced to some new techniques and processes to explore and expand your learning.

03. How will I learn?

This is a tutor-led class where you will be encouraged to pursue your own area of interest. You will learn through class demonstrations and receive regular verbal and written feedback on your progress. Please avoid taking holidays during courses. Missed lessons can affect funding for adult learning courses.

04. What will I need to bring?

You may want to bring a notebook and writing materials or even a sketchbook to help you take notes and draft ideas. A smart phone with a camera might also be useful for recording and researching information. You will need to bring an apron. Please do not wear your best clothes and no open-topped shoes are allowed. Other necessary PPI will be provided. Tea and coffee will be made available, but you may also prefer to bring a water bottle.

05. What skills or experience do I need?

This is an 'independent learners' level course for learners with experience of fused glass through LALS or elsewhere. A good standard of English is required to ensure a full understanding of the subject matter together with all health and safety guidelines. Being enthusiastic and having an interest in this craft are essential.

06. How will I be assessed?

Tutors will use formative and summative assessment methods to evaluate your progress. You will work towards completing a set of class learning targets, as well as your own personal development targets. Targets are reviewed at the middle and end of the course. Informal discussions with the tutor will take place throughout the course, both individually and in groups. Your progress will also be documented through photographic evidence.

07. What could I do after this course?

Independent level courses can be repeated once. If you have completed all courses available in your current subject, other subjects are available. 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 on the 'courses' tab. GoLearn! offers courses in different curriculum areas: Mental Health, Learning for Independence (learners with learning differences), Skills for Life (English and Maths), EDS (Employment and Digital skills), ESOL English for Speakers of Other Languages, Languages – learn another language including British Sign Language, Family Learning – learn how your children learn or learn with your children, Work Based Learning apprenticeships.

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.

09. Is help available with course fees?

Many of our courses are FREE to all learners. Your course may be FREE if you are unemployed or earn under £26,800 before deductions. 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 at a 70% reduced fee cost. 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 Business Support team are on hand to offer FREE and impartial information, advice and guidance on the options available to you. Please call FREEphone 0800 988 0308 or email adult.learning@leics.gov.uk