

DEVELOP SKILLS IN DRAWING - INDEPENDENT LEVEL

Course Name	Start Date	End Date	Site	Total Fees
Develop Skills in Drawing - Independent Level	05/01/2027	16/03/2027	THURMASTON THE ROUNDHILL ACADEMY	140.00

01. Who is this course for?

This is a course designed for those with some experience in drawing who are interested in extending their skills further, within a more independent environment. This is a follow on from Develop Skills in Drawing – Intermediate Level. It is not essential that you have completed the previous course if you already have experience in drawing and are interested in working more independently.

02. What will I learn?

You will further develop skills of observation and draw with graphite and charcoal. You will practise seeing shape, proportion and tone and will draw from life and photographs, translating what you see into marks on paper. You will use ways of measuring and comparing to get size, shape and proportion right – such as measuring from a distance. You will practise making marks without fear and will do sketches and studies to practise techniques to build confidence to work independently. You will look at the work of other artists.

03. How will I learn?

Your tutor will use practical demonstrations and presentations to support you through the course content. You will practice skills both independently and with support. Images and other reference materials will be used to support your learning. You will regular receive verbal feedback on your progress each week and a chance to learn from other learners in your class also. An Individual Learning Plan (ILP) will record in writing the learning objectives of your course and allows you, and your tutor, to evaluate your progress and set personal learning goals too.

04. What will I need to bring?

You will need to bring graphite pencils including at least a 2B, 4B and 6B, willow charcoal, drawing paper, a soft eraser, pencil sharpener or craft knife, a drawing board, fine liner drawing pens and paper blenders. You will also need a pen to complete your ILP. There may be other resources you become interested in as the course progresses which can be talked about. More information will be given in class. Each class is 2 hours long. Bring a drink and snack if you need to.

05. What skills or experience do I need?

This course requires you to have the knowledge and skill level to draw using a range of techniques and is not suitable for beginners. It is useful, but not essential, to have previously done the Develop Skills in Drawing – Beginners and Intermediate courses. You need to be prepared to work independently, have a go, and to make mistakes to learn from them.

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 learning targets set in class, as well as your own personal development targets. Targets are reviewed at the middle and end of the course. Informal discussions and critiques with the tutor and learners will take place throughout the course, both individually and in groups.

07. What could I do after this course?

You may wish to further develop your drawing and painting skills by enrolling on to one of our other drawing and painting courses. We offer courses in a wide range of art subjects, including watercolour, acrylic, and mixed media. There are a variety of other creative courses also so why not try something else from the Learning for Wellbeing curriculum. There is a wide range of art, craft, sewing, cookery, dance and creative arts courses for you to continue developing. 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. 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 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.