



Beginner Silversmithing and Jewelry Design

Ages 14+ | Instructor: Lori Martin-Price

Course Objectives:

To achieve a basic understanding of the processes involved in designing and creating jewelry. To learn to proper use and safety practices involved in the specialized tools and equipment in the jewelry/Metal's studio. To design and create finished jewelry pieces.

Course Description:

Explore the basic techniques for fabricating jewelry and decorative pieces through demonstrations and hands-on projects. Students will learn to make a silver ring, links for a bracelet or necklace, metal techniques, textures, bezel stone setting, soldering, and more. Students are responsible for purchasing project supplies and materials, which will be discussed on the first day of class. Open to students ages 14 and up.

Student Supply List:

Supplies and materials will be discussed on the first day of class. Students are responsible for purchasing their own supplies.

Lapidary artists will bring stones for optional purchase.

Course Schedule:

Week 1: Basic band ring

Week 2: Stone(s) purchased from Lapidary Artists or bought in by students, will begin design for a basic cabochon stone setting.

Week 3: Continuation of basic cabochon stone setting.

Week 4: Copper Fold-Form project, working with creating texture on metal.

Week 5: Second larger or odd-shaped cabochon stone setting, also matched pair design, or adding linkage to design is an option.

Week 6-9: Continuation of projects.

Week 10: Final touches of projects.