

Course Information Sheet 2025/26

Learning for Pleasure Course

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| Course title: | Watercolour Painting for All | | Code: LPB422Z |
| Tutor: | Carol Sandiford | | |
| Day & Time: | Thursday 3:15pm – 5:15pm | | |
| Start & End Dates: | Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 23/4/26-21/5/26 4/6/26-11/6/26 |
| Number of sessions: | | | 7 |
| Venue: | Bury Adult Learning Centre | | Room No: 20 |
| Learner Numbers: | Minimum | Maximum | |
| | 8 | 10 | |
| Costs: | Full Fee | | Discounted Fee |
| | £110.74 | | £55.37 |
| Cost of Consumables | | | |

What will I learn on this course?

A course for beginners through to experienced painters, using photographs, sketches and still life as starting points to work from. Practical help is given in:

- Colour mixing, application and techniques using watercolour paint, materials and equipment.
- Understanding and appreciation of paintings from different artists around the world

By the end of the course, I will be able to:

- Paint and draw with more confidence.
- Develop an understanding of different mediums and techniques.
- Develop own compositions.
- Appreciate a wider range of artists' work.

Additional information

Before you enrol on a course advice and information is available to help you decide if this is the right course for you. Contact Learner Services on 0161 253 7501 or e-mail at learner.services@bury.gov.uk. Alternatively, you can get advice and information from Bury Adult Learning Centre on 0161 253 5772.

Tutor profile

Carol Sandiford is a professional artist and tutor having trained at Manchester School of Art gaining a BA (Hons) and PGCE. Carol has been teaching as an Adult Learning tutor for 20 years and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to her teaching. Carol is busy with private portrait commissions. She regularly exhibits her work.

What will I need to provide myself?

Watercolour Paints - Any good make including W.H. Smith's own brand. Colours should include Cadmium Red, Cadmium Yellow, Ultramarine, Viridian and Perm. Rose.
Palette - Deep wells for mixing large amounts of colour for washes.
Brushes - Start with the following brushes. 1 x size 16 round, 1 x size 8 round and 2 x size 4 round.
Paper - 140 lb NOT- cold pressed paper is called NOT and has a slightly textured surface. It can be obtained at W.H. Smiths in a block size approx. 10 x 14". (Note: cartridge paper is not suitable)
Absorbent paper/Soft Tissue - for wiping out and general uses.
A3 drawing board (optional)
HB pencil & eraser Total Cost – approximately £25 minimum
Please also bring a pen and your glasses if you need them.
Your tutor will discuss materials further at the first class.
Please check that the class is running before buying anything.

What could I do next?

Your tutor will be able to advise on the options available to you in their subject. If you would like to speak to someone about moving on, please ask your tutor to refer you to Learner Services or contact them directly on 0161 253 7501 or e-mail at learner.services@bury.gov.uk.

Can I get extra help?

Support with English and Maths is available through our Skills for Life section. For more information, please contact Learner Services on 0161 253 7501.

Extra support is available for those learners who have sensory, physical or cognitive impairments, neuro-divergent or with mental health conditions.

Help with paying for your course

You may be entitled to a reduced fee for your course if you claim a benefit. Please see the course guide or ask at the centre for more details. You will be asked to produce evidence on enrolment.

How to enrol

Phone: 0161 253 5772
Call into: Bury Adult Learning Centre, 18 Haymarket Street, Bury, BL9 0AQ

Please keep your copy of this information sheet. It will be useful throughout your course.