# Course Information Sheet



Sharpen your drawing skills and explore creative techniques! Develop your artistic confidence in a supportive and inspiring environment.

## **Course Description:**

Do you have a passion for drawing and want to take your skills to the next level? This engaging 18-week course, Drawing Mixed Ability, is designed to refine your artistic vision and equip you with a variety of drawing techniques. This course is ideal for those who have completed our Beginners Drawing course or have some prior experience with drawing. Explore diverse drawing approaches, delve deeper into fundamental techniques like perspective and shading, and experiment with different drawing materials. Through interactive demonstrations, personalised feedback, and group critiques, you'll gain the confidence and expertise to create expressive and engaging drawings. Join us and embark on a journey of artistic exploration!

## What will I learn?

Building on the basics, review and refine fundamental drawing skills such as line, shape, form, and perspective. Explore techniques for creating accurate proportions and realistic shading while exploring composition and colour. All aspects of drawing will be explored and developed at a speed that suits you, with plenty of opportunities to produce a final image on topics that interest you. Each week the materials you need will be discussed in class to ensure you are fully equipped. We will be drawing with pencil, graphite, chalk, charcoal and pastel so a sketchbook will be essential to this course.

## How will I be assessed?

• Formative: Weekly exercises, practice assignments, group critiques, and peer feedback sessions will allow you to experiment with techniques, receive constructive criticism, and refine your skills.

• **Summative:** A final drawing demonstrating your understanding of fundamental drawing techniques, composition principles, effective use of chosen media, and capturing the essence of your subject (still life or introductory life drawing).

## Who is this course for?

This course is designed for learners who have completed a Drawing Beginners course, or students with some experience in drawing who want to further develop their skills.

## Who is your target audience?

This course caters to those who want to refine their fundamental drawing techniques, explore diverse drawing approaches and materials, and gain the confidence to create expressive and well-composed drawings.

### **Progression Opportunities:**

After completing this course, you can delve deeper into specific drawing techniques (e.g., life drawing, figure drawing, perspective drawing), explore thematic approaches in drawing (e.g., portraiture, landscape), or consider courses in other artistic disciplines like painting or printmaking. Consider pursuing further studies in fine art programs offered by universities across the UK.

#### **Career or Job Enhancement Pathways:**

This course can be a stepping stone towards various creative careers, such as:

- Illustrator (using drawing skills for illustrations)
- Graphic Designer (utilising drawing skills in design concepts)
- Animator (foundational skills for creating animation sequences)
- Art Therapist (using drawing for therapeutic purposes)

#### How do I enrol?

If you are paying the full fee, the quickest way to enrol is online at www.oncoursesouthwest.co.uk, simply create an account and select enrol now. Alternatively, you will need to speak to one of our customer service team on 01752 660713.

#### How will the course be delivered?

This is a practical course, and the sessions will include tutor-led demonstrations, learner-led group activities, instruction and repetition. These will form part of the delivery together with one-to-one support as required.

#### Will I need to practise outside the classroom?

You will be encouraged to review your notes between lessons to ensure maximum benefit from your course. It is always useful to practise your skills between sessions. Your tutor may encourage home learning, or independent research.

#### How will I know I'm making progress?

During the first session, your tutor will discuss your goals and current level in relation to the course. Based on this assessment, you will agree individual targets which you will record in your individual learning plan (ILP). You and your tutor will review your targets regularly to ensure that you are making progress; these will be written in your individual learning plan.

#### What will I need?

Please bring a sketchbook (a4 or a3), a range of pencils, a pen, coloured pencils, watercolour paints and acrylic paints. You may wish to bring a file for any handouts. A digital device with internet access is required for completion of coursework and home learning outside of the classroom (phone/ipad/laptop).

#### Please note:

Most courses attract a subsidy from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). It is a requirement of the ESFA that you complete various forms at different stages of your course, further information is available on request. Courses are subject to a minimum number of enrolments and could be cancelled if recruitment is low. In some cases, an alternative class at a different location may be offered.

Terms and conditions are available at

https://www.oncoursesouthwest.co.uk/learner-information/essential-information-for-every-learner Room numbers are subject to change - please check when you arrive at the venue.



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