

Class Descriptions – Middle Folk School

Metalwork: Basic Enameling –*Michael Clements* – Learn how to safely create enameled art from powdered glass and high temperature kilns. Students will have the opportunity to work on jewelry pieces and larger wall art.

Sewing: Beach Bags, Lunch Kits & More –*Jeanne Hunter* – Learn basic sewing skills to create a tote bag that you will be able to use at the beach, lake, or wherever the road takes you. There will be many fabrics to choose from. Time permitting, we will make a personalized journal cover that fits a standard-sized composition book.

Blacksmithing: Magic Metal *Able Allen* – Magic is the only way to explain the way heat and steel work together. Learn to manipulate metal and create useful items for your home. Leave with a strong foundation in ironwork and several pieces of art.

Photography: Capture Nature Through the Lens –*Liz Domingue* – Enhance your knowledge of the natural world and your photography skills as you explore the flora and wildlife of the Southern Appalachians with a naturalist. Learn basic techniques of nature photography while heightening your skills of observation and your enjoyment of nature.

Cooking: Homemade Methods –*Frances Juhlin* – Learn to make your favorites like pizza, tacos, muffins and desserts. Homemade and easy methods will make you a big hit with your family and friends.

Woodworking: Creative Designs –*Alan Leland & Brian Cunfer* – Come make shaving fly. Try your hand at woodworking, America's fastest growing hobby. We will learn how to make several fun and useful projects such as a stool or even a small bench.

Clay: Down & Dirty– *Brant & Karen Barnes* – Expect to get dirty as we explore lots of different approaches to clay, from hand building and surface design to wheel throwing.

Mixed Media: Finding Your Superhero –*Pam Beagle-Daresta* – Explore the stories of Superhero's before creating your heroic character. Use a variety of media including drawing, painting and comic illustrations to give your superhero super powers and abilities and even build a world for them to inhabit.

Knitting: Knitting Ninjas – *Emolyn Liden* – Learn the skills to knit anything you can imagine. We will start with the basics to gain a strong foundation and then discuss how to create 3D artistic forms with knitting and textile techniques.

Dance: Morris Dancing – *Nick Kelishek* – Click sticks, hop and jingle! If you have lots of energy, can yell loudly, and like to have fun, then this is the class for you! Learn traditional Border Morris dances from the Wales-England line. Veteran dancers from the Folk School's own "Stix in the Mud" Morris dance team will guide you through each step.

Paper Art: Origami –*Malachi Brown* – Explore the secret life of paper. Learn how to make animals and toys with nothing but paper.

Jewelry: Wearable Treasures–, *Terry Hale* – Let's make real jewelry! Each day we'll cover various techniques for working with wire, beads, semi-precious stones and more. You will be designing your own earrings, necklaces and bracelets.

Weaving: Small Looms –*Susan Leveille* – Learn how to weave on a variety of small looms. In this class, you will be able to weave a guitar strap, headband or even a bookmark. We will also try our hand at tapestry, a woven decorative fabric, which is built up in the course of weaving. You will be able to create a magical mountain or ocean scene or imitate the logo of your favorite football team.

Woodburning: Intro to Pyrography –*Terez Hjetland* – In this class, you will learn the basics of woodburning. Learn how to burn a picture onto a piece of wood, your initials on a leather key ring or even make a bracelet.

Woodcarving: The Basics –*Jason Lonon* – Learn safe knife grips and cutting techniques that you can use for the rest of your life. We will carve a variety of useful and beautiful kitchen utensils, figures and more.

Woodturning: Wood Wizards –*Steve Cook* – Come and spend a fun week making a variety of cool projects on the lathe. Learn how to make colorful spinning tops, yoyo's, Harry Potter wands and even a gift for mom or dad. Everyone can progress at their own pace, and learn how to make a block of wood become a piece of art.