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## Creative Learning Course Information Sheet

Please keep your copy of this information sheet. It may be useful at your first class and for future reference.

<b>Day:</b>	Tuesday		
<b>Course:</b>	Porcelain	<b>Tutor:</b>	Chris Barnes
<b>Dates:</b>	6 March to 3 April 2018	<b>Session Times:</b>	3-5.30pm
<b>Number of sessions:</b>	5	<b>Fee:</b>	£75
<b>Course queries:</b>	If you have a query or are unsure whether the course is right for you please get in touch with the Adult Learning Team who will be happy to contact the tutor on your behalf.		

### About the course

This five week course is designed to help you gain experience and understanding of working with porcelain clay. The purity and translucent quality of porcelain is matched by its inherent limitations in workability. You will be shown how to get the most from this refined material and how to avoid the pitfalls of high shrinkage and low plasticity. The course will include glazing and decorative techniques to enhance your creations. Possible projects include all manner of pottery, jewellery, lighting and small sculpture.

Previous experience with clay is advantageous for students but by no means a requirement of the course.

The class is run with a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. A creative approach to design and making is encouraged.

A charge will be made for additional materials purchased during the course.

### What will the course cover and how will it be taught?

Tutor led demonstrations, discussion, example work and handouts will guide you through the process.

During the course you will learn to:

- Work super thin to enable translucency.
- Glaze to enhance translucency.
- Avoid uneven shrinkage and cracking.
- Create surface texture and relief patterns with wax resist.
- Make coloured porcelain for jewellery.
- Sculpt and model flowers and shells.

### **What do I need to bring with me?**

Please bring an apron and/or wear old clothes.

Please bring a pen, notebook and your glasses, if you need them.

### **What can I do next?**

The Brewery has an excellent range of learning experiences with the emphasis on enjoyment, social interaction and personal development.

Details on all our courses can be found on our website at <https://www.breweryarts.co.uk>

### **Access & Facilities**

Most of the Brewery is accessible for those who consider themselves to have a disability. There is a lift to all floors within the main building and adapted toilets. On occasion classes may take place outside the main building with access via stairs only. Please contact the Adult Learning Team on 01539 722833 Ext 273/275 if you wish to discuss any specific needs or email [adult.ed.admin@breweryarts.co.uk](mailto:adult.ed.admin@breweryarts.co.uk)

During the day our unique Warehouse Arts Café serves a range of teas, coffee, home bakes, light bites and sandwiches for you to enjoy. Open Mon-Friday 9.00 am – 5.30 pm. Saturday 10.00 am – 4.00 pm.

There is limited parking in the Brewery Pay and Display Car Park, which is available on a first come first served basis. By using our car park you are helping to support the arts locally. Thank you.

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