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New Skills for the New Year!

Ring in the New Year with a revitalized creative spirit. We have many classes to fit your fancy. Beading is a great hobby to pass away the cold winter hours.

This quarter we are offering several bead weaving classes including spiral rope, peyote and brick stitch. We are also offering several metal working classes as well as a gourd class.

Come in and see the samples of what you will learn in the class. Come in and talk to us about what you want to learn and how we can help you learn it. Or just come in and get out of the cold. Our table is always open for anyone to bead in a warm, social environment.

Most classes have a 2 student minimum, and are limited to 5 students on a first come, first served basis. All students receive a 10% discount on purchases on the day of the class. Call or stop by to reserve your seat at "The Table."

January 7th – Saturday 10am - 2pm **Beaded Spiral Rope**

Beaded spiral rope is a simple off-loom beading technique. The same pattern of beads is strung onto the needle each loop, and the thread is passed back through the core beads to add a loop to the rope. These loops spiral around the core forming a beautiful textured beaded rope.

\$25 plus materials

Instructor: Josh Stretch

Two Bead Bulletin!

January 14th – Saturday 10am - 2pm **Freeform Peyote**

If you like wild, one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry then this is the class for you. Freeform peyote stitch is related to peyote stitch, except that many different sizes and shapes of beads are used to create a more random, unique effect. \$25 plus materials.

Instructor: Shannon Curry

January 21st – Saturday 10am - 2pm **Cold Connections**

Cold connections are methods of connecting metal without solder. Metal pieces are decorated with mixed media techniques. Students will learn to saw, cut, stamp, punch screw and rivet metal to create an elaborate finished piece.

\$40 includes some materials

Instructor: Josh Stretch

January 28th – Saturday 10am – 2pm **Introduction to Wire Wrapping**

Learn the basic techniques needed to make your own headpins, wire wrap loops and free-form wire wrap stones. This is one of the most versatile techniques in jewelry making.

\$25 includes copper wire and use of tools.

Bring a found rock (rough).

Instructor: Josh Stretch

February 4th – Saturday 10am – 2pm **Metal Embossing**

In this class you will be learning the basic techniques of metal forming, which include shaping, cutting and embossing. The very thin metal used in this class is a forgiving material, and the formed pieces can be easily attached to almost anything, like cards or journals.

\$35 includes some materials

Instructor: Michele Parlee

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February 11th – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Beaded Embroidered Cabochon

Students will learn a variety of techniques to lay out their designs around a cabochon sewn onto a piece of craft felt which effectively becomes a patch that can be finished as a pendant, brooch, or sewn onto clothing or a purse.

\$25 includes some materials. Cabochon, and beads cost extra.

Instructor: Shannon Curry

February 18th – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Art Quality Shrink Plastic

Art quality shrink plastic is essentially high quality “shrinky dinks”. The plastic is cut, drawn on, and embellished. The project is then placed in an oven and shrinks to about half of its original size. The finished effect is one of intricate detail.

\$35 includes some materials.

Instructor: Michelle Parlee

February 25th – Saturday 10am - 2pm
Brick Stitch Project

Brick stitch is so named because the beads are joined together as if they were bricks being laid in a wall. Elaborate patterns can be formed including realistic figures and colorful geometric shapes. It can be used to create earrings, necklaces, wall hangings and journal covers. Brick stitch is one of the foundation techniques of all bead work.

\$25 plus beads

Instructor: Karen Rossman

March 3rd – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Gourd Mask

Masks are a very fun way to get into gourd work. We will cover many gourd working techniques including sawing, dying, wood burning, painting, embellishing, etc.

\$45 includes a gourd & some materials

Instructor: Karen Rossman

March 10th – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Russian Leaf Pin

The Russian leaf technique is a modified peyote stitch. The diagonal peyote forms the outline of a leaf. Several of these leaves are then joined together to form a beautiful pin.

\$25 plus beads.

Instructor: Shannon Curry

March 17th – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Domino Doll

Simple wire working is a fun, easy way to get acquainted with beads. We will take the extra step to show you how to make something simple a little more ornate. This little doll will bring a smile to everyone who sees it.

\$35 includes some materials.

Instructor: Karen Rossman

March 24th – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Dream Catcher

Dream catchers are fun and easy to make. We will focus on making a pair of dream catcher earrings. However, the same technique can be used to make dream catchers of any size out of any material.

\$25 materials included

Instructor: Josh Stretch

March 31st – Saturday 10am – 2pm
Torch Fired Enameling

Enamel is fine glass powder that is melted with a torch onto a copper metal surface. First we will cut out the shapes, then using the torch, we will melt the glass onto the shapes. The finished effect is a colorful thin layer of glass over copper.

\$50 materials included.

Instructor: Karen Rossman & Michelle Parlee

Stop by any time, our current hours are:

9am to 5pm Monday thru Friday

9am to 4pm Saturday

Closed Sundays

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