

COURSE: Foundation Drawing

TUTOR: Owen Thompson

COURSE OUTLINE.

The focus of the course will be on providing a firm foundation in basic classical drawing skills from which one can gradually develop further into more adventurous expressive artwork in different media

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN.

Using simple drawing materials we will look at learning the basic methods of sound observation drawing, including:-

- **Getting the shapes right:** Proportional judgements. Comparative measurement.
- **Tonal Shading:** How to see and put down tone using different methods of shading. Using Contrast to create three dimensional space.
- Nature Studies: Shells, plants, animals and birds.
- Composition: Some pointers on how to improve compositional balance and dynamics, including the use of focal Points.
- Perspective drawing: Basic principles of freehand perspective drawing.
- **Portrait and figure drawing:** An introduction to proportions of the face and figure and different approaches to their representation.
- Mixed Media: Try out drawing materials or new combinations including Charcoal, Conte Crayon, Colour Pencil, Inks, and Pastels. A chance to free up.

MATERIALS LIST.

Initial requirements.

- Pencils: HB, 2B, 4B
- · Pencil Sharpener.
- Kneadable (Putty) eraser.
- Rule.
- Cartridge (drawing Paper) A3 size
- · Willow Charcoal sticks.
- Indian ink (waterproof black) and simple metal dip nib. (post office nib)

Additional requirements later in term.

- Some form of coloured drawing materials.
- E.g. Coloured pencils, watercolour pencils, chalk pastel pencils, or watercolours.
- Paper that can take wet media.
- Heavy weight cartridge paper (200 gsm) or watercolour paper (185 gsm).

Note: Please talk with Owen first if you want to know more about which materials you should purchase. Any additional materials used beyond these will be supplied by Owen.