

# Course Information Sheet

## PPC - Paint, Print and Collage



### Unleash Your Inner Artist: Painting, Printing & Collage for Beginners!

#### Course Description:

Embark on a vibrant journey of artistic discovery with our exhilarating 9-week beginner's course! Dive into the world of mixed media art, exploring a treasure trove of materials and techniques. We'll demystify acrylic paint, uncovering its versatile nature and the magic of mediums. Unleash your inner printer with easy at-home techniques using everyday items like cardboard, Tetra Paks, and baking sheets. Embrace sustainable creativity by repurposing materials from charity shops and The Scrapstore, transforming them into stunning collages and innovative brush-free paintings. No prior experience is necessary – just a passion for play, exploration, and creating unique masterpieces. Whether you haven't touched art since school or simply enjoy crafting as a hobby, this course is your gateway to reigniting your creative spark!

#### What will I learn?

Prepare to be amazed! We'll cover everything from the fundamentals of color theory, mixing, layering, shading, and blending acrylic paint, to the thrill of printing with found objects, mastering chemical-free etching, and exploring the wonders of mono-printing. Discover the art of collage, from creating your own papers to sourcing materials and using collage as both a standalone art form and a springboard for painting. We'll nurture your ideas in a dedicated sketchbook, which you can continue to develop at home. Journey through art history, uncovering the origins of contemporary ideas and exploring the influential artists and movements that shaped the art world, from abstraction to photo montage and collage. Unleash your imagination by painting with found objects, setting up captivating still lifes, working from sketches and photographs, scaling up your designs, and creating abstract paintings and prints. Most importantly, you'll discover that there's NO right way to create! We'll equip you with the tools and inspiration to overcome creative blocks and embark on a path of confident artistic expression.

#### How will I be assessed?

- **Formative:** Weekly exercises, practice assignments, group critiques, and peer feedback sessions will provide a supportive environment for experimentation and skill refinement.
- **Summative:** Showcase your newfound skills in a final painting that demonstrates your understanding of the techniques learned throughout the course.

#### Who is this course for?

This course welcomes anyone with a desire to explore painting, printing, and collage, regardless of their prior experience. Whether you're a complete beginner or a seasoned hobbyist, this course is designed to ignite your creativity and empower you to create art you love.

### **Who is your target audience?**

This course is perfect for learners seeking a structured yet playful and inspiring environment to explore and create art.

### **Progression Opportunities:**

Continue your artistic journey by enrolling in our Intermediate Painting, Printing, and Collage course!

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

This course can be a launchpad for various creative pursuits, including:

- Mixed Media Artist (selling portraits or taking commissions)
- Freelance Designer/Maker (selling your own designs and taking commissions)
- Applying for art college/further education

### **How do I enrol?**

If you are paying the full fee, the quickest way to enrol is online at [www.oucoursesouthwest.co.uk](http://www.oucoursesouthwest.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), set of Acrylic paints - including three primary colours, plus black and white. A selection of brushes, a range of pencils, a pen, ruler and an eraser. A roll of masking tape and a Pritt Stick too would be good to bring too. We will provide you with a kit containing most of those items. 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.onsouthwest.co.uk/learner-information/essential-information-for-every-learner>

Room numbers are subject to change - please check when you arrive at the venue.

