

Programme – Foundation Creative Studies Pathway – Creative Embroidery

This is a 120-hour programme that establishes and develops design and skills in a craft area. It is for anyone who wishes to study their craft area in depth, which could be for personal interest or for professional development. The participant may have attended a number of workshops, or done an introductory programme; and is now ready to progress, integrating design alongside good craft skills to develop as a maker. The participant will be guided to make two items based on their design and samples folios. One will have an aesthetic bias and the other a functional. The programme will be delivered through home study and / or classroom delivery, where gained knowledge is applied in practice.

How is the Programme organised?

This is a 1-year programme leading to an ArtyBird Foundation qualification in Creative Studies – Creative Embroidery accredited by City & Guilds.

Pathway Information

Design: - Design gives you the building blocks to be able to put ideas down and create original pieces in your craft area. It gives you a basic understanding of how to use colour, line, shape, form and texture. Although the experiments and exploration are done in paper, it is fully linked to your craft area.

Embroidery – In the Foundation Programme we study both Hand and Machine embroidery.

- We will explore hand stitching developing texture and line stitches.
- We will explore the sewing machine; developing free machine embroidery.
- We will explore the use of fabrics in appliqué techniques.
- We will explore fabrics, threads and fibres in bonding and layering techniques.
- You will also cover dyeing and colouration techniques to create backgrounds and materials for use in embroidery.

Making – There are 2 making projects in the Foundation Programme

- i. An aesthetic piece.
- ii. A functional item.

The above programme is delivered through 3 themed projects: Sunsets, The Weather and Nature's Chaos.

Programme Delivery

You attend at Carnforth, Lancashire

You will start in September and meet for one weekend a month, for eleven months.