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Taster Session - Fused Glass Workshops – ½ day (2 hours)

The Glass Forge offers either a 1 to 1 personal workshop or group workshops of no more than 2-people. This gives me the opportunity to tailor and adapt the format the course according to your specific objectives, whilst also allowing enough time for attendees to ask questions during the workshop.

This fun, relaxed, hands-on ½ day workshop offers a wonderful and gentle introduction to the art of kiln formed glass and explores some of the techniques for kiln fusing glass (the art of melting glass using an electric kiln, up to a temperature of around 815°C).

This is an introductory workshop, and the format and course design has therefore been tailored towards complete beginners. You therefore do not need any prior experience to attend.

What will the course entail?

The workshop will cover the following aspects:

1. Health and Safety briefing.
2. What is glass fusing.
3. Brief history and Introduction to glass art.
4. Glass types, compatibility and tools.
5. Designing a simple fused glass piece.
6. Cover a sample of surface design techniques.
7. Practice cutting glass to incorporate in your piece.
8. Assembling and applying pieces onto the base piece of glass for firing.

This is a practical, hand-on course that is designed for you to make your own fused glass piece, and therefore following a brief introductory you will start making your piece of fused glass art!

What will I make?

Attending a Group Workshop

During your 2 hour group workshop you can expect to make a small glass piece such as a sun-catcher (10 x 10 cm), a small tea light, or a coaster. What you make can vary depending on the type of workshop you attend, and therefore the above examples are not an exhaustive list.

Attending a 1 to 1 workshop

If you attend a 1 to 1 workshop you can expect to make a small glass piece such as a sun-catcher (10 x 10 cm), a small tealight, or a coaster. You can also upgrade to a larger piece such as a lantern. There will be an additional cost to upgrade your item to a large piece.



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Extra Items

Extra items can be made, if time allows, in one session. Price lists are available on request for making the additional pieces.

Design

If you have a specific design in mind or piece of fused glass that you would like to create, please let me know in advance of the course and we will let you know if this is feasible within the time allotted. Usually, this option best suits the 1 to 1 course.

At the end of the workshop

You will create a beautiful glass item, to your own design, and that can be treasured or perhaps even given as a gift.

Gift boxes are available and can be purchased separately.

Firing your piece

Your piece will be fired in a kiln and this process takes up to 24 hours. Please therefore allow up to 2 weeks to receive your fused glass piece.

Your item can be collected from the venue (by prior arrangement) or if you are unable to collect your item in person it can be posted via Royal Mail. **An additional postage charge will be applied for this at the standard 'Royal Mail signed for' rate.**

What is included in the workshop?

- The use of all tools and equipment
- All materials to complete your piece of fused glass art
- Training and guidance
- Up to 2 firings in my specialist glass kiln.
- Tea or coffee.

Dates / Availability

Please contact me for dates and availability. Please enquire by:

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Prices

½ day (2 hours) **group workshops**. Price per person. £55.00 per person for group courses up to 2 people.

For a **1 to 1 personalised experience** at my studio, £75.00 for a workshop (2 hours).

Location / Venue

To be confirmed at time of booking.

Enquiries

I hope to ignite the fascination and passion in fused glass that was lit up when I first attended a similar course. My workshops offer the opportunity to try something new and to hopefully unleash your inner creativity (don't worry if you don't have any!) and to make something wonderful.

My workshops can also be tailored towards special occasions, such as mother and daughter days, best friend's outings etc. Whatever the occasion please email me your inquiry and we can put together a packaged that will hopefully suit your requirements.

Rachel