

Craftworx studio in Yorkshire



In this month's creative travels we visit Craftworx, a studio that is located in the heart of the beautiful Yorkshire countryside in Bishop Burton, near Beverley. By Lesley Rands

Beverley is a beautiful market town, steeped in history, but rich in contrast, from impressive architecture to contemporary bars, restaurants and shops. Other local attractions include the Deep Aquarium, the Humber Bridge and the famous Beverley Minster.

In peaceful and tranquil surroundings of a farm, you'll find Craftworx studio nestled amongst a group of newly refurbished barn buildings. The studio offers a light, spacious and well equipped workshop, offering the perfect location for visitors to learn the skills and techniques required to make PMC jewellery.

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

Craftworx offers a professional approach to jewellery making with an exciting range of workshops that focus on hands on training, courses which are designed to suit beginners as well as the experienced or professional jewellery maker. Working in the superbly equipped teaching studio you will learn the fundamental principals and techniques used in precious metal clays, giving you the opportunity to get the very best teaching to acquire and improve your knowledge to make beautiful pieces of jewellery.

All the workshops are carefully planned to accommodate different skill levels. The complete beginner can enjoy the introduction to silver clay workshop, while progression courses are also planned for those wanting to expand their skills. If you get completely hooked on metal clay or even for the professional jeweller wanting to expand their skills certification courses, they also offer a formal qualification that is recognised worldwide.

With limited student numbers, their guided step by step teaching methods means that you are assured of the individual attention required for you to achieve the most successful results. Tea and coffee are available free of charge, students are asked to bring their own packed lunch. To book or make further enquiries on workshops, email Tracey@craftworx.co.uk



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Focus on tutors:

Tracey Spurgin is a senior Art Clay instructor who has teaching experience of more than ten years. She is highly regarded by not just her own students but also by the independent Arts and Crafts colleges and shops where she regularly teaches. Now writing tutorial features for Craft magazine, Tracey really enjoys sharing her skills and knowledge with others. You will be inspired by the passion and enjoyment that Tracey has for working in Metal Clay.

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ACCOMMODATION & RESOURCES

Broadgate Farm cottages, situated approximately 2 miles from Craftworx studios, provide an excellent base to relax after an inspiring & creative day at the studio and to take in the beautiful Yorkshire countryside. Broadgate offer five self-catering holiday cottages skilfully converted from period farm buildings sleeping from 4 to 8, each with its own private garden/patio area.

The farmstead is set in 19 acres of grass and woodland where they are developing a nature trail and wildlife pond. For further details visit www.broadgatefarmcottages.co.uk.

There is also a wide range of alternative accommodation options nearby, from budget B&B's, self-catering farm cottages or luxury boutique hotels. To find something to suit you visit www.realyorkshire.co.uk.

HOW TO GET THERE

The studio is located just off the A1079 in the village of Bishop Burton. Detailed directions are given when booking. Trains run into Beverley station, take a taxi from Beverley station to Craftworx studio at Cold Harbour Farm, Bishop Burton.

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From top: A pendant, ring, brooch and shell ornament all made from Silver Clay at the Craftworx Studio



Reader offer

To win a free place on an 'Introduction to Silver Clay' workshop with Tracey, worth £80, on Saturday 16th January 2010, enter a prize draw by simply emailing your details to tracey@craftworx.co.uk with the words: MJ competition

TERMS & CONDITIONS: The draw will take place on Saturday 5th December and the winner will be notified thereafter. The prize includes the workshop and materials only.