Art Academy

COURSE TITLE	PAINTING AND DRAWING FOR BEGINNERS
COURSE CODE	SUN2501031
TUTOR	ELEANOR BEDLOW
START DATE	28/09/2025
DAY & TIME	SUNDAYS, 10.30AM - 1PM
LEVEL	BEGINNER
LOCATION	BANKSIDE CAMPUS

DAILY BREAKDOWN

Date	Topics/ Skills covered	Model?
28 September 2025	The course starts by building observational drawing skills. You will begin by drawing a series of objects, looking at their forms and how they occupy space. You will use a range of approaches including simple measurement, identifying shapes and shadows, and drawing without line but instead using tonal build-up to create volume and presence.	NO
5 October 2025	This week we will be looking at how to build up a sence of drama in a drawing using tone. We will experiment with mark making using pencils to build up areas of light and dark going through a series of excersises before practicing on still life objects.	NO
12 October 2025	This week you will have a life model to draw from. We will start with 'rapid gesture drawing' from different viewpoints to identify the weight and rhythm of various poses. We will also look at the figure as a series of interrelated basic shapes and key lines and use 'comparative measurement' negative space and angles to start to achieve convincing proportions and scale.	YES
19 October 2025	This week will focus on portraiture and how to draw the human head from a variety of angles. We will discuss the relationship between the head as a whole and the features of the face, and how to simplify what you see into a collection of well observed shapes. We will use charcoal and pencil, experimenting with scale, tone and line.	YES
26 October 2025	This week we will discuss abstraction and take inspiration from the figure integrated within the studio space. You will have use of a full range of wet and dry drawing materials and the option to include collaged elements within your piece.	YES
2 November 2025	This week will be in introduction to using acrylic paint. Starting with an overview of acrylic painting materials, you will do an exercise looking at black and white objects and trying to capture their tonal range in paint.	NO
9 November 2025	This session will focus on colour theory and colour mixing. We will undertake a series of exercises, discovering the colours we can mix and trying to match the colours that we see around us.	NO
16 November 2025	This week we will be practicing a primary pallet by responding to simple still life objects in the studio.	NO
23 November 2025	This week we will be practicing mixing flesh tones and different ways of applying paint while using our own hands as a reference.	NO
30 November 2025	In the final session, we will create a full colour painting of a clothed model within the studio space, applying the techniques you have learnt over the course and choosing whether to use only paint or mix wet and dry materials.	YES