

Embroidery – Nakshi Kantha hand-embroidered products

| Course Code | Venue & Contact Details | |
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| Day | Times | Start date | End date | No of Weeks | Total Fee | Concessionary Fee |
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| Friday | 10am-12.30pm | 21.05.2021 | 25.06.2021 | 5 | £68 | 10% of full fee or free of charge, depending on your circumstances. |

About the course

On this course you will develop your craft skills of **Nakshi kantha**, a type of hand embroidered quilting. You should have completed the course *Embroidery – Nakshi Kantha Cushion Covers* before enrolling, to have the knowledge of the basic stitches already.

Nakshi Kantha is a needlework technique from the Bengali textile tradition that has been practiced for centuries in Bangladesh and India. It is usually made with worn-out clothes, as a way of recycle old fabrics into new products,

often for the home. You will be encouraged to design your own designs into products with decorative embroidery, with focus on interior textiles.

The course is designed to support you to grow as an artist and entrepreneur. You will gain craft knowledge from experienced tutors and receive the essential skills for promoting your own handcrafted designs commercially. After completion of the course you will be given a platform to sell your items at the Design & Made in Hounslow markets and pop-up shops at no cost; A real life experience of trading at craft fairs.

What will I learn?

- Make more advanced stitches of Bengal Kantha Hand Embroidery technique
- Conceptualise and design a product with Bengal Kantha embroidery stitches, for example interior textiles
- Create one finished product of your own Bengal Kantha design
- Create labelling & packaging for your design, to prepare for selling at a market
- Estimate costing and pricing for your hand-crafted product.

What are the entry requirements?

- This course is suitable for learners who have completed the course Embroidery: Indian Kantha Cushion Covers. To access this course basic digital skills are essential.

What do I need to bring with me?

- Essential resources will be provided, but you will need to bring your own specialised materials, such as fabrics and threads, to realise your designs
 - A notebook and a pen
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How will my learning be assessed?

This is a non-accredited course with the intent to benefit lifelong learning. Your tutor will give you regular verbal and written feedback to support your progression. You will submit your course work and track your learning in Google Classroom. You will participate in group discussions and receive guidance.

To successfully complete the course your attendance should be a minimum of 85% and course work should be completed by the end of the course. You might need to spend time outside of the class to complete your design project to achieve a product for the Design & Made in Hounslow market.

Devices and digital applications required for online courses

This is an interactive online course which requires access to a good internet connection and a device with a camera and microphone. We recommend that you download Google Chrome browser if using a laptop or PC. For tablets and smartphones, we recommend you download the Google Meet and Google Classroom apps.

We use Google Suite for Education. If you are a new learner with us, we will create an account for you. Details will be sent to your personal email so please check your inbox and spam regularly prior to course start.

What can I do after completing this course?

- At the end of the course your tutor will advise you on your possible next steps for further learning or employment
- You can call us to find out about upcoming courses on 020 8583 6000

What will happen if a session is cancelled due to COVID19?

If unforeseen circumstances would force us to cancel on short notice the session will be moved to the online classroom/ the session will be cancelled and you will be reimbursed.

During the COVID19 pandemic we aim to be flexible and to continue to deliver learning in a safe and inclusive environment, whether this is online or in a physical classroom. If you are isolating and are unable to come to class, speak to your tutor or with one of our staff members and we will do our best to find an alternative solution.

Information, advice and guidance for employment

- [Call 020 8583 6174 to speak to an advisor](tel:02085836174)
 - Email work@hounslow.gov.uk
 - Visit <http://www.hace.ac.uk/employment-support>
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