

SHORT COURSE DETAILS

SID07779 STONE CARVING - A TASTER DAY

Tutor: SIMON KEELEY

Date: I DAY SATURDAY 7 APRIL

ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

This day offers an introduction to stone carving using natural forms for inspiration.

You will be working on small blocks of Maltese limestone – it is a very soft stone and relatively easy to shape with rifflers, files and chisels, so the results will be quick to see. It can also be sawn and a variety of shapes and textures can be produced very easily.

Maltese Limestone is good for producing a pleasing sculptural shape in one day and you will be given guidance in the use of all tools and techniques. Relevant and interesting books will also be there for information and inspiration. You will definitely have an enjoyable and fulfilling day, in purpose-built surroundings and a tutor that will inspire you.

This course is held in the purpose built carving studio in the Sculpture Courtyard, which is a short walk from the main college. There are toilets nearby in the Old Dairy. The studio is open fronted allowing excellent ventilation for this dusty activity.

LEVEL: BEGINNERS

Starting points. For those with little or no experience who want to go back to basics and would like a structured introduction to a subject.

ABOUT YOUR TUTOR:

Simon Keeley trained as a stonemason, and in 2003 completed an Art in Architecture MA. He has won many prestigious commissions and has work in Westminster Abbey.

TIMETABLE:

9.00–9.10am Registration and coffee (at the College)

9.15am Morning classes

10.30am Coffee (at the Garden Restaurant) 12.45pm Lunch (included – at the College)

2.00pm Afternoon classes

3.30pm Tea (at the Garden Restaurant)

5.00pm Classes finish

MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:

We have a generously stocked craft shop, which opens daily from 8.30am–2pm for any materials you wish to purchase from the shop.

Materials and tools supplied for the course include: Limestone and wet and dry paper.

Please bring in addition:

Sketchbook/notebook and pencil if you wish Old clothes/overalls and head covering as you will get dusty Sensible shoes/boots (sandals are not suitable) Hand cream Pair of gloves

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PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED:

Dust masks
Safety spectacles
Respirator face shield
Ear defenders/ear plugs

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

The tutor instructs students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. Eye protection and face masks are supplied by the College **and are essential.** Students should also wear appropriate shoes.

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