

SHORT COURSE DETAILS

SID07783 WOVEN TAPESTRY SKETCHES – A TASTER DAY

Tutor: LOULOU MORRIS

Dates: I DAY WEDNESDAY I I APRIL

ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

Little looms are an ideal way to experiment with ideas, the use of unusual materials, and the incorporation of found objects and other ephemera. They are very quick to warp, fill swiftly, and the pieces are simple to finish neatly. Using a tiny weaving frame (on loan from the tutor for the day, and available to purchase) and needle weaving, you will spend the day making a series of small (5cm square) woven 'sketches', experimenting with a range of weaving materials — conventional and otherwise. Your tutor will demonstrate ways of creating texture using knots, fringes, exposed warps etc. There will be discussion and demonstration of how the finished tapestries may be mounted or bound into book form as a reference for your personal practice.

Teaching is by demonstration, discussion, and guided personal practice.

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:

LouLou completed her MFA in Tapestry and Textile Art at West Dean in 2011. She has subsequently undertaken various residencies – usually with a teaching element. Her practice is based on the desire to escape the tyranny of the rectangle and take tapestry off the wall; using found objects and materials, and juxtaposing the controlled nature of tapestry loom weaving with the unpredictability of material combinations and decay processes.

TIMETABLE:

9.00–9.15am Registration and coffee

9.15am Morning classes

10.30am Coffee

12.45pm Lunch (included) 2.00pm Afternoon classes

3.30pm Tea

5.00pm Classes finish

REQUIRED PREPARATION:

Collect interesting yarns, found objects and ephemera.

MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:

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

Materials included in the course fee:

Warp and weft yarns, beads, oddments to experiment with. Loan of weaving frame and all necessary equipment.

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Available from the Shop:

Fine thread, upholstery twine, wires, tapes and linen thread.

Available from the tutor:

Little looms, extra yarns, and other equipment will be available for purchase on the day.

Please bring any of the above, if you have them, and in addition:

Small notebook and pencil, scissors and sewing kit if you might like to add stitched embellishment to the weavings.

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

The tutor instructs students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. There are no health and safety restrictions on access to this studio/teaching space in the absence of the tutor. All Personal Protection Equipment, apart from footwear, is provided by the College.

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