

# Adult Education Course Information

IMPINGTON VILLAGE COLLEGE

**Course Title:** Pottery for Improvers

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## Course Description:

Try your hand at making beautiful creative objects out of clay. During this course, you will continue building knowledge of pottery processes, further developing hand building skills and explore decorative techniques within the lesson. Demonstrations and guidance are given throughout the course, plus one-to-one teaching on developing ideas and building your own unique pieces.

The limitations in storage space of both materials and work in progress, and kiln space impacts on the size of the pieces produced. Small to medium sized pieces can be made. Very successful larger pieces are made but only after discussions with the tutor regarding materials, timings and space.

This course is suitable for learners who have developed the necessary skills and knowledge to progress to an improver level.

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<b>Start Date:</b>	Wednesday 17 January 2024
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Wednesday 7.00pm – 9.00pm
<b>Venue:</b>	Impington Village College, New Road, CB24 9LX

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## Tutor Details:

Kate Baxendale

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<b>Number of weeks:</b>	10
<b>Terms:</b>	1

<b>Fee per term:</b>	£160
<b>Concessionary Fee:</b>	£120

<b>Course Level:</b>	Improvers
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**Course Aims & Objectives:**

- Continue developing hand building skills – slab modelling, press moulding, thumb and coil pots
- Gain further practise in decorative techniques – scarffito, scoring, relief, and imprinting
- Experiment with applying colour – slips; oxides, and glazes
- Understanding stages of pottery from green clay to finished piece
- Develop own style

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**How progress and success will be recorded:**

Students will produce a final outcome as part of the ten week course.

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**Additional Course Costs: (e.g., Visits; Materials; Books)**

Basic materials for normal use are included in the cost. These materials are: Raku/white stoneware; coloured slips; some oxides and glazes. Guest clay may also be available. A charge will be made if excess clay or other materials are used to cover increased costs.

## Materials / Equipment Required for First Class:

Please bring the following to your first session:

- Tea towel, cloth and apron
- Medium / large freezer bags
- Sketchbook is recommended
- Pencil

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**Contact for further information:**

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**Enrolment & Payment:** online via our website, or in person on Wednesday mornings between 9am and 12pm in the main College reception.

**Refunds:** Refunds are only available if we close a class or you choose to withdraw no less than two weeks before the start date. In the latter instance, there will be an administrative charge of £5.00. If a class is cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control, such as snow or tutor illness, an extra class or classes will be added to the programme and no refund will be available.

**Concessionary Fees:** Concessionary discounts of 25% (excluding materials) are available if you are in receipt of a means-tested benefit: JSA/ESA or Universal Credit; Carers Allowance or a social care assessment (EHCP, DLA PIP). Evidence of this must be presented on enrolment. It is also possible to pay by instalments - please ask for details.

**ELA employees also receive a 50% discount on any adult education classes.**