

Book your workshop with these Artisans at Artisans Retreat

Anne Mitchell

Owner of Genesis Creations™, Anne has taught fabric painting in Australia for around 40 years; and silk painting for the past 21 years, travelling extensively throughout the eastern states of Australia, as well as to Western Australia, to demonstrate and teach these skills.

Using her own range of Australian Made concentrated colours, Anne will show you countless ways her colours can create amazing features on fabric.

Secure your place early for her 2 days of hands-on workshops creating fabulous fabrics.

Workshop Details

Mon 27 Feb, 9.30am to 4pm at Artisans Retreat - Day 1 - \$165 (inc lunch)

Fabulous Fabrics – Basic Skills – establishing ‘the rules’ for hand-colouring fabrics with Liquid Radiance. We’ll discover exciting textures using salts and sugars, enjoy the simplicity of heliography, and create amazing patterns by scrunching, twisting, and adding all sorts of objects from around the home, both in one-colour and multi-colour techniques.

Tue 28 Feb, 9.30am to 4pm at Artisans Retreat - Day 2 - \$165 (inc lunch)

Fabulous Fabrics – Beyond the Basics – exploring a range of different designing techniques – using marbles and other objects you’ve probably never thought of! We’ll learn the simplicity of traditional batik using non-messy soy wax, while working with spraying techniques; and use our exclusive Water Soluble Resist for a range of designing ideas. Discharge dyeing skills will end this very busy day!

NOTE: Beginners must attend Day 1 to advance to the advanced workshop. Participants who have attended previous Basics workshops with Anne may attend Day 2 without repeating Day 1, unless they wish to for ‘revision’!



Alan Williams

Born at Ballina, New South Wales in 1942, Alan has had a close association with wood most of his life. Sawmilling, joinery and cabinet making built technical skill, while a two-year Visual Arts course refined his design and artistic abilities.

Alan now creates pieces for the pure enjoyment of making. His bandsawn boxes are sought by collectors world wide and have often been selected as gifts by various Australian governments. “I enjoy the challenges of design and creating fine work for people to cherish”.

We are honoured to have Alan and his works at Artisans Expo, and even more honoured to be able to offer a 2 day, hands on workshop with Alan on the Tuesday & Wednesday following the Expo.

Two Day Workshop Details

Tue 28 Feb and Wed 29 Feb, 8.30am to 4pm daily at Artisans Retreat - \$495 (inc lunches)

Discover the techniques of the master and put them into practice in this intensive 2 day class. Alan will guide you through creating his signature piece, the Nautilus Shell, or you can create your own 2 to 5 drawer design.

A 100 x 50 x 150mm cedar block is supplied, or you can bring your own up to 200 x 200 x 100mm.

This class is strictly limited to 6 participants, so get in early!



Peter Minson

We are honoured to have Peter demonstrate his talent for working with glass at Artisans Expo. In Peter’s own words:

“I consider myself lucky to be third generation in a family of glass blowers and have followed a path of scientific glassblowing through to functional and artwork, to have worked with some of the best as an equal.

I am continually seduced by the properties of Glass. Bright shining and hard when cold; completely transformed when hot and molten. To be able to dream of shapes and colours and see them appear as if by magic under intense heat and in my hands would have to be the ultimate in job satisfaction.”

We are even more honoured to be able to offer 6 lucky people the opportunity to work, hands-on with Peter in a full day workshop on Monday 27th Feb.

Workshop Details

Monday 27th February 2012, 9.00am to 4pm at Artisans Retreat - \$295 (inc lunch)

Peter will have you working with borosilicate glass (Pyrex), teaching you how to create hollow forms.

Everything will be supplied for this workshop (including our Artisans lunch of course!), but if you are familiar or experienced in lampwork, you are welcome to bring any equipment you may already have.

Cost for this one day is \$295.

We are limiting this workshop to a maximum of 6 participants, so secure your place early!



Phone (02) 6553 1199 to book