

Life size Portrait Sculpture

Aim:

Through observation, working from life and photographs, you will be taught how to photograph and measure the model accurately. This 10-week or 5-day course will enhance your knowledge of anatomy, proportions and clay modelling to create a life-like, life-size portrait bust.

Aimed at:

Ideally, for those who have completed the Introduction to Portrait Sculpture, as this course can be too trying for complete beginners. Understanding the proportions of the face through sculpture helps with sketching and painting the portrait as well.

Class size:

Maximum 5

What to bring:

Digital camera for recording processes and outcomes,

All the modelling materials and equipment will be provided.

Please wear old clothes, as you may get messy. Wear comfortable shoes as most of the sessions are done standing at workbench or sculpting stand.

Each session will begin with a short discussion then demonstration. Mid point tea break and group critique at the end of the class.

Session 1: Photographing and measuring the model accurately. Session 2: Preparing the armature and applying the base clay.

Session 3: Marking measured points

Session 4: Profiling

Session 5 Continue modelling Session 6: Sculpting the ears Session 7 Sculpting the hair

Session 8: Hollow out bust ready for firing Session 9: Hollow out bust ready for firing

Session 10: Final re-working in preparation for firing

NB: It is important to note that there are inherent risks involved during the whole

process of sculpting and firing – sculptures can be dropped, hollowed out too much and there is a risk of the work exploding in the kiln. These risks are all kept to a minimum when following instruction, however, it is important to be aware

of the risks and to have an open mind for the end results.

Remember these courses are about the journey not the destination

Once fired (allow 6 weeks) you have the option of having your work painted and mounted, at an extra charge.

All work must be collected within 2 weeks of finish or it will be disposed of.

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