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# Block Printing

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Weds 6:00 - 8:30

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**Course Overview:** Students will work on a variety of projects to gain a well-rounded understanding of block printing by hand. We will start with two projects on rubber, then move to linoleum, and finish with a final project of the students' choice.

By the end of the class students will know how to make block prints at home, using rubber or linoleum, and printing on fabric or paper.

New projects will be introduced each week, but students can move at their own pace and take more time on a certain project if they need to. Each class will have time to work on the projects.

All homework is optional, depending on the time that students are able to put into projects outside of class. The more time you can put in to the homework the more you'll get out of the class but I understand that people have busy lives with limited free time!



## Course Outline:

### Session 1

- class overview
- slide show with block printing basics and examples of projects, different styles of prints
- choose a theme to focus on for the class
- introduce first project - repeating pattern with rubber stamps on tea towel
- carving demo
- homework: think about what theme you want to focus on. practice drawing at home and finish carving stamp



### Session 2

- share chosen themes
- printing demo, color theory and ink mixing, applying ink to stamp
- work time - print repeating pattern project
- introduce second project: larger rubber block print (5x7") on paper
- homework: carve 5x7" block

### Session 3

- work time - print 5x7" rubber stamp print
- introduction to linoleum, carving demo
- third project: 5x7" - 8x10" lino block print on paper
- work time to carve linoleum block
- homework: finish carving linoleum block



#### **Session 4**

- work session - finish carving linoleum or any other projects you haven't finished
- introduction of final project
- homework: start planning final project

#### **Session 5**

- work session - print linoleum block prints, work on final project
- homework: finish carving final project

#### **Session 6**

- first half of class will be one last work session
- last half of class will be a final critique
- print exchange
- how to continue block printing at home



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