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Creative Courses for the Spring from dot-art

Spring is finally here so to mark the start of days getting warmer and evenings getting brighter we're sharing our fantastic programme of brand new art classes this spring.

Brush off the winter and take a look through our evening creative courses and weekend workshops and pick the one to get your artistic skills flowing or choose one as a gift for someone special! Our fun, friendly courses for adults and children are open to everyone and take place in a range of great locations across the city.

NEW for this term at **Sefton Park**, in July we have an exciting Sunday workshop in **Creative Garden Photography**, led by Mark Reeves, who will help you use in-camera techniques to create unusual abstract photographs and landscapes in the beautiful surroundings of Sefton Park. Also in South Liverpool we have the return of our popular **Sketching in the Palm House** sessions, where you can spend a Sunday morning learning or brushing up on basic techniques to help you draw from observation, try different materials and express what you see through drawing.

NEW at **Bluecoat** this May, we have **Creative Feltmaking**, taking place over 3 Sundays, where you will learn the basics of feltmaking and develop your skills with new and exciting textiles. May also sees the return of the popular 10 week evening courses in **Life Drawing**, **Beginners Painting (Acrylics)** and **Jewellery Making in Metal**.

If you prefer weekends, in May we have a **Drawing for Everyone** course, held over 3 Sundays, in which expert tutor Roy Munday will give you all the skills you need to start, refresh or improve your drawing technique. We also have an **Experimenting with Mixed Media** Sunday workshop, in which you can try out a range of technique and media to create your own unique work of art and a **Beginners Digital Photography Day**, perfect for those who want to get their cameras off the auto setting.

Over at **Hope Street Ltd**, Roy Munday will once again lead a 10 week **Watercolour for Beginners** course. Watercolour is the most popular medium for people who take up art and this course is designed for both absolute beginners and those more advanced who are seeking to improve. We will also be continuing our 10 week **Portrait Drawing** course with artist Kathy Derehli. Starting from the basics, your tutor will provide exercises and tuition to help you improve your portrait drawing or help get you started.



At **Faith Bebbington's Studio**, we have a **Wood Carving** for beginners course, led by Faith herself across 3 consecutive Sundays in June. This short course includes an introduction to wood carving, a look at the range of carving tools, how to select and choose your wood, different ways to finish the surface and finally, the creation of your own wood carving inspired by natural forms.

Following a very successful pilot over the winter, we will be returning to the **Friends of Williamson Tunnels** on Sundays in May and July for **Sketching in the Tunnels**, a unique opportunity for both beginners and experienced artists to spend a Sunday morning drawing and learning new skills in this fascinating location.

Finally, our **dot-art Club** for 7-11 years olds will be running in two six week blocks, starting 15th April and 3rd June. Every **Sunday** (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE FROM SATURDAYS) morning our young artists will be encouraged to develop their drawing skills and build a lifelong love of art!

Full details, prices and booking information can be found here: dot-art.co.uk/art-classes. These courses often sell out, so don't delay!

Course	Dates / Times	Venue	Cost
Acrylic Painting (Beginners)	Tuesdays from 8th May 6.45 - 9pm	The Bluecoat	£160 for 10 classes.
Life Drawing	Tuesdays from 8th May 6.45 - 9pm	The Bluecoat	£160 for 10 classes.
Jewellery Making in Metal	Tuesdays from 22nd May 6.45 - 9pm	The Bluecoat	£220 for 10 classes.
Drawing for Everyone	Sunday 13th, 20th May, 3rd June 11am – 5pm	The Bluecoat	£125 for 3 days.
Experimenting with Mixed Media	Sunday 6th May 11am – 5pm	The Bluecoat	£50

Beginners Digital Photography	Sunday 20th May 11am – 5pm	The Bluecoat	£45
Creative Feltmaking	Sunday 24th June, 1st, 22nd July 11am – 5pm	The Bluecoat	£125 for 3 days.
Watercolour for Beginners	Mondays from 14th May 6.45 – 9pm	Hope Street Ltd	£160 for 10 classes
Portrait Drawing	Tuesdays from 8th May 6.45 – 9pm	Hope Street Ltd	£160 for 10 classes
Wood Carving	Sunday 3rd, 10th, 17th June 11am – 4pm	Faith Bebbington Studio	£125 for 3 days.
Sketching in the Tunnels	Sunday 20th May, 1st July 10am-1pm	Friends of Williamson Tunnels	£25
Creative Garden Photography	Sunday 8th July 10am – 4pm	Sefton Park	£45
Sketching in the Palm House	Sundays 3rd, 24th June, 29th July 10am – 12pm	Sefton Park Palm House	£30
dot-art Club (7-11 years)	Sundays from 15th April Sundays from 3rd June 10.30 – 12pm	Hope Street Ltd	£90 for 6 classes

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High resolution images available on request.

Notes to editors.

dot-art supports visual artists and champions art as an integral part of everyday life.

We do this by selling locally sourced, affordable art, working with businesses to put art in the workplace and public realm, running art classes and working with schools and community groups.

All this is underpinned by our unique membership scheme for artists in the North West which gives access to all the activities above and a package of support and advice, creating and developing artists' careers.

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