

## General Enquiries

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## Beginners Creative Textiles

Location	Stockport College
Course Type	Adult
Department	Art & Design
Start Date	Thursday 16th January 2025
Duration	Full-time, 10 Weeks
Time	18:30 - 20:30
Fee	£ 75.00 You may be eligible for support with your tuition fees - please visit the college website - funding and finance page for further information
Course Code	SPQ-ADXZ-1104

## Course Overview

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Experience, explore and enhance your creative textiles skills. This is a relaxed, informative and fun course for beginners that will develop your practical skills in stitch, print and fabric dyeing. You will learn skills in hand and machine embroidery, including working with dissolvable fabric and machinery such as domestic sewing machines and over lockers. You will be introduced to knitting and weaving, various forms of felt making and printmaking skills such as block printing and silk screen printing. This course will provide you with the opportunity to explore your textile awareness, develop your knowledge, build your technical ability and experiment with all things fabric.

## Course Requirements

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Participants are not required to possess any previous knowledge or expertise. We welcome individuals with a genuine enthusiasm for the subject and a willingness to actively engage and contribute.

## What You Will Learn

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This course will allow you to develop your practical skills and provide you with the technical ability to take on future textile craft projects. You will produce a series of samples of various techniques which can be mounted in a portfolio for future study or employment. This course allows you to learn the processes and gives you the opportunity to combine techniques through the creation of a 'final piece' of your choice.

## Assessment

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There is no formal qualification for this course it is a chance to learn new techniques.

## Progression

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This taster course can lead to further study on courses relevant to Art and Design, Fashion and Textiles, Surface Pattern and Textiles Craft.

## Career Options

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Completing a Creative Textiles Beginners course can be a great way to explore your creative potential and develop skills in working with textiles. While it may not make you an expert, it can open up various career options and opportunities in creative and textile-related fields. Here are some potential career paths and roles you can consider after completing such a course:

**Textile Artist:** Use your newfound skills to create textile art, such as wall hangings, sculptures, or wearable art, which can be exhibited in galleries or sold online.

**Home Decor Designer:** Create textile-based home decor items like curtains, pillows, or upholstery fabrics.

**Interior Designer:** Specialise in textile selections for interior design projects, considering fabrics for furniture, window treatments, and decorative elements.

**Textile Craft Instructor:** Offer workshops or classes in textile crafts like quilting, embroidery, or fabric dyeing.

**Textile Retail or E-commerce:** Start your own business or work for a textile retailer, selling fabrics, patterns, or finished textile products.

**Fashion Stylist:** Help individuals or organisations with wardrobe selection and coordination, considering fabrics and textiles.

While this beginner's course provides a foundation, pursuing a career in textiles may require further education, practice, and networking within your chosen field. Building a portfolio of your work and gaining experience through internships or freelance projects can also help you establish your presence in the industry.

## Mandatory Units

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There are no specific mandatory units, however areas of study will be:

Hand and machine embroidery

Fabric manipulation

Textile printing - block and silk screen

Fabric dyeing including Shibori techniques

Felt making and needle felting

Knitting and weaving

Combining techniques/creating a final piece

## Contact Details

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