

Explore art and the world through ArtXcapes

SPECIAL TO THE MONITOR

This fall, ArtXcapes Cultural Arts Workshops is offering nine different six-week classes for adults and various classes for children. Through these classes, participants can learn about local culture, create a contemporary work of art using an ancient medium, unleash creativity and take home one or many beautiful pieces to decorate the house or give as a gift.

Egg Tempera

In egg tempera, pigments from crushed minerals are mixed with water and an egg yolk binder, and then painted on in delicate layers. Oil paintings change over time, darkening or yellowing with age, but with egg tempera the colors dry rapidly and the colors are luminous and last for centuries.

Miranda Gray, who teaches the class said, "I love using this ancient medium in a contemporary way, pushing the form in a direction that is unpredictable."

The class will be from 6-8:30 p.m. Mondays from Sept. 1-Oct. 6. The fee is \$135, plus tax. Supplies cost \$30.

Hand Built Ceramics and Pottery for Beginners

Get hands dirty and have fun with clay. The basic slab, coil and pinching techniques will allow students to make a wide variety of objects like sushi dishes, pots and figurines. The class will be from 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays from Sept. 2-Oct. 7. The fee is \$135, plus tax. Supplies are \$30.

Intuitive Painting

Lindy Teresi offers a unique painting class that helps artists experience the joy and color of painting.

She said, "It's astounding what comes out of people when given the opportunity."

The class will be from 9:30 a.m.-noon Tuesday from Sept. 2-Oct. 7. The fee is \$135, plus tax. Supplies are \$30.

Visual Journaling

Visual Journaling is for anyone interested in healing, gaining insight in life experiences and self-expression.

Lisa de St. Croix has taught visual journaling for more than nine years and her journals have been exhibited all over the world. The class will be from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays from Sept. 3 - Oct. 1.

The class costs \$115, plus tax. Supplies are \$20.

Magic of Mosaics

Kelly Foster, director of ArtXcapes, will teach the different adhesives, mosaic materials, grinding and grouting techniques. The class will be from 6-8:30 p.m. Thursdays from Sept. 4-Oct. 9. The class is \$135, plus tax. Supplies are \$30.

Introduction to Bullo

Carving In this 12-week workshop, Foster will teach how to carve a santo out of wood and how to make a pinon-sap varnish. The class is for beginners and runs from 9:30 a.m.-noon Saturdays from Sept. 6-Nov. 29. The fee is \$265, plus tax. The wood costs \$20.

Precious Metal Clay Jewelry

Precious metal clay is a new medium revolutionizing the jewelry world.

Hand form a piece of silver jewelry by working with

"clay," an organic binder saturated with particles of pure silver.

Stained glass for beginners

This workshop will teach everything needed to know to get started in stained glass.

Learn techniques for cutting and grinding the glass, copper-foiling, burnishing and then soldering a piece together. The class will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. Thursdays Oct. 23-Dec. 4. The class costs \$135, plus tax.

ArtXcapes Cultural Arts Workshops is a new company that takes people on three and five-day art adventure workshops in Santa Fe and leads international art tours in Mexico, Costa Rica and Nicaragua. Class sizes are limited, so reserve a spot today.

For more information or to register online, go to www.artxcapes.com, call 505-989-7311 or e-mail to retreat@artxcapes.com.

The class will be from 6-8:30 p.m. Mondays from Oct. 20-Nov. 24. The fee is \$135, plus tax. Supplies cost \$45.

Introduction to Silk Painting

In silk painting, begin by stretching undyed silk across a frame. The dyes glide freely through the fabric. Control the movement by placing a boundary on the silk. The liquid colors become part of the fabric, which can be washed or dry-cleaned. The class will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays from Oct. 21-Nov. 25. The class costs \$135, plus tax. Supplies cost \$30.

Energetic Mixed Media Collage

A collage is more than just a picture. It's a story, a dream, where symbols and images emerge to unravel the mysteries of the spirit.

The class will be held from