

LAPIDARY & SILVERSMITH

Introduction to Lapidary

Open to all GVR members. Learn the steps to cut, grind, and polish stone slabs in order to make cabochons for jewelry. This class requires standing for most of the sessions and walking to work on the different equipment. NOTE: Wear old clothes and close-toed shoes.

Fees & Schedule:

Location: WC–Lapidary

Instructor: GVR Lapidary Club

Member: \$45 / Non-member: N/A

Materials \$45 (fees may increase due to increased costs)

One week session, two classes on Wednesdays & Thursdays

Class #7697 May 10–May 11 1:30pm–4:30pm

Class #7698 June 14–June 15 1:30pm–4:30pm

Class #7699 July 19 –July 20 1:30pm–4:30pm

Class #7700 Aug 16–Aug 17 1:30pm–4:30pm

Class #7701 Sept 13–Sept 14 1:30pm–4:30pm

Basic Chain Maille Bracelet

Open to all GVR members. Chain Maille is the art of adding links of a chain or jump rings together to make a pattern for jewelry. Learn two patterns in forming bracelets. Students will also learn about wire gauge, hardness, and shapes used. Materials include jump rings and clasps. SUPPLIES: bring at least 2 pliers (bent-nose and flat-nose preferably). Loaners will be available.

Fees & Schedule:

Location: EC– Lapidary Studio

Instructor: GVR Lapidary Club

Member: \$45 / Non-member: N/A

Materials \$40 (fees may increase due to increased costs)

One week, two classes on Monday & Thursday

Class #7710 May 8–May 11 9:00am–12:00pm

Class #7711 June 5–June 8 9:00am–12:00pm

Class #7712 July 10–July 13 9:00am–12:00pm

Class #7713 Aug 7–Aug 10 9:00am–12:00pm

Class #7714 Sept 4–Sept 7 9:00am–12:00pm

Precious Metal Clay–Basics

Open to all GVR members. Learn the use of essential tools and techniques for creating and finishing jewelry. Precious Metal Clay (PMC) consists of tiny particles of silver suspended in an organic binder. It can be molded, textured, sculpted, dried, and fired to make beautiful earrings, charms, pendants, and more. This class will cover essential tools and techniques for creating and finishing jewelry. This class and Club Membership are required to enroll in Club member only workshop called "PMC Open Studio."

Fees & Schedule:

Location: EC–Lapidary Studio

Instructor: GVR Lapidary Club

Member: \$35 / Non-member: N/A

Materials \$75 (fees may increase due to increased costs)

One week, one class

Class #7724 May 16, Tuesday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7725 June 12, Monday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7726 Aug 15, Tuesday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7727 Sept 18, Monday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Dichroic Glass Jewelry

Open to all GVR members. Gain basic knowledge of glass fusion and dichroic glass capabilities, and complete three pieces of fusible dichroic glass that may be used for pendants or earrings. Tools are provided. This class includes cutting, design, fusing and finishing. Upon successfully completing this class, students will have the opportunity to attend weekly workshops to further their knowledge and expand their skills.

Fees & Schedule:

Location: EC–Lapidary Studio

Instructor: GVR Lapidary Club

Member: \$45 / Non-member: N/A

Materials \$50 (fees may increase due to increased costs)

One week, two classes on Monday & Thursday

Class #7702 May 1–May 4 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7703 June 5–June 8 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7704 Sept 4–Sept 7 1:00pm–4:00pm

Learn the Torch

Open to all GVR members. This course is a prerequisite for intermediate lapidary classes. Learn forging and annealing techniques (acetylene/air torch) to create a cuff bracelet and forged pendant. Safety will be emphasized in this introduction to using the torch to anneal, or soften, the metal before forming. You will be inspired by other club members' examples of copper, brass, and silver jewelry. NOTE: Wear closed-toed shoes and long pants. Safety glasses and hearing protection will be provided.

Fees & Schedule:

Location: DH–Lapidary

Instructor: GVR Lapidary Club

Member: \$35 / Non-member: N/A

Materials \$20 (fees may increase due to increased costs)

One week, one class

Class #7705 May 2, Tuesday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7706 June 5, Monday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7707 July 15, Saturday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7708 Aug 24, Thursday 1:00pm–4:00pm

Class #7709 Sept 11, Monday 1:00pm–4:00pm

PLEASE NOTE

Classes on this page are open to ALL GVR members, and do not require Lapidary & Silversmith Club membership.