

Veberod Gem Gallery

Box Clasp

Sometimes a custom finding makes ALL THE DIFFERENCE in a piece of jewelry. Box clasps are timeless and classy, and can be endlessly adapted and embellished to range from simply functional to an actual piece of jewelry. We will learn the basics of fabricating a box clasp, including proportions between tongue and clasp and how to fabricate a tongue that is not going to break with use. We will discuss ways to doll them up, but do not expect to be doing so in class. Simple first, then embellish! You will be expected to be proficient at soldering, so bring your A game!!!



Please plan to provide all your own consumables.

You will be able to purchase anything you need

at Veberod Gem Gallery during class. Being able to see clearly is essential to your success, so bring any portable lighting and magnification you are accustomed to using (cheaters, OptiVisor, Telesight).

Prerequisite: Silversmithing 3

Supplies Required

- *20ga Sterling Silver Sheet
- *22ga Sterling Silver Sheet
- 22-20ga Sterling wire
- 12ga Sterling wire
- Solder, hard, med, easy
- Rolling mill pattern, optional

Tools used

- *Jeweler's Saw
- Saw Blades
- Files
- Needle files/Micro Needle Files
- Scribe
- Permanent Marker
- 6" steel ruler
- Dividers
- Brass Caliper
- Polishing attachments for flexshaft
- Drill bits
- Sand Paper/Polishing papers
- Magnification

Notes on tools/supplies

This list is designed to help you determine what to bring from home. Not everything is required, and we **STRONGLY** recommend not buying anything before class if you don't already have it. Many times there are factors that will determine your best choice and we will discuss all this at class. Bring what you have, and don't stress about what you don't.

We prefer not to offer kits for our classes. We try to encourage students to pick equipment and supplies (stones, beads etc.) based on their individual creativity. Often there are several options available and you may have some items already.

Please **mark** tools from home so they are identifiable as your own. If you have any questions regarding the cost of tools, supplies or anything else about the class, please contact us at 952.595.8338.