

Veberod Gem Gallery

Soldered Silver Beads

Learn how to fabricate metal beads out of nothing but silver sheet metal and tubing. We will be covering texturing, cutting, forming, soldering and tube rivet finishing these fabulous beads. If we have time we'll even cover different way to change their shapes!

Prerequisite for this class is Silversmithing III and a decent comfort level pick soldering.

We will cover using the rolling mill to texture sheet, using a disc cutter, center finder, dapping block and punches and learning how to tube rivet.

Supplies:

- 20ga Sterling Silver sheet
- Hard solder
- Rolling mill pattern (optional)
- Tubing
- Liver of Sulfur Gel
- Decorative Stamps
- Brass Hammer

Tools used (tools marked with an *asterisk are regularly stocked in the student benches)

- Disc Cutter
- Dapping Block/Punches
- Mitre Cutting Jig
- *Steel bench block
- Files
- *Soldering trivets
- Sandpaper/Coarse-fine
- *Solder cutting pliers
- *Solder pick
- *Soldering Surface



Notes on tools/supplies

This list is designed to help you determine what to bring from home. Please **DO NOT** buy 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.