

# Veberod Gem Gallery

## Silversmithing I, II, & III

This three-day intensive class combines all three silversmithing basics classes in a fun, furious long weekend. The advantages of this format include getting to know your classmates better and potentially creating a jewelry making community for yourself, less “introduction” time on day 2/3 allowing more working time and a potluck lunch on the last day of class. If you are traveling for the class, we are happy to answer questions about the area and possible accommodations/carpooling opportunities.

During the entire class period, stones and beads will be on sale to the students at a minimum of 20% off, with greater discounts available based on quantity.

**Silversmithing I-** introduction to sawing, soldering, texturing and bezel setting. All tools and supplies will be provided but students will purchase materials (metal sheet, bezel cups, stones). We will be making a pendant by sawing out a shape of your choice in metal, texturing it, soldering pre-made bezel cups (1 or 2) on and setting cabochons (stones) of your choice.



**Silversmithing II-** soldering bootcamp! We will be making link chain out of wire. This will include wrapping a coil, sawing it to make jump rings and assembling/soldering the jump rings together to create chain. This type of repetitive soldering is the best way to learn, and sets you up with a skill you can practice more on your own. Students will be expected to provide/purchase consumables and materials, but don't worry- we have all that on hand, and... Surprise! Each student will receive a FREE butane torch!

**Silversmithing III-** This is when it all starts to come together... We will be fabricating (creating) custom bezel settings to fit a cabochon of your choice and turning it into a ring or pendant.

**Regarding tools/supplies-** If you don't already own these, we would strongly recommend NOT trying to purchase them before class. We believe that a huge part of class is educating you about your choices and what equipment will suit you best. We work hard to have a selection here that will benefit you as a student. You will be able to purchase absolutely anything you need for class from us during the class.

In the morning, we will have fresh coffee and a light snack for you. We break for lunch, 30-60 minutes each day and we have several options within walking distance to buy lunch. You are welcome to bring lunch, and while we can't promise refrigerator space, you are always welcome to use the microwave and toaster oven. On the final day, unless the class chooses otherwise, we will do an in-house potluck lunch, and a family member would be welcome to join us for lunch.