

Veberod Gem Gallery

Earrings I- Soldering Posts

Earrings I is the first in a series of 5 classes designed to walk you through an increasing complexity of skills needed to create well-designed, beautiful jewelry.

This class is all about post earrings. Making post earrings, making post earrings that you can hang dangles from or making dangles that you can hang from post earrings. The overall skill focus is in soldering something very small to something bigger.

We will have many options of what to make in class, so supply list is suggested- you may not use or need everything on the list. For those interested, we will have to opportunity to texture sheet in the rolling mill.

Prerequisite: Silversmithing II

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, magnification you are accustomed to using (cheaters, OptiVisor, Telesight).



Supplies

Metal sheet, any kind, any gauge
Cabochons with bezel cups
20ga wire for posts
22ga wire for jumprings
Silver scrap, clean
Silver solder- hard, med and easy
Rolling Mill patterns
Flux
Torch Fuel

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

Saw blades
*Solder Pick
Torch
*Soldering surface
*Soldering tweezers
3M Polishing papers
*Insulated cross-lock tweezers
Files
Magnification

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.