

Veberod Gem Gallery

Fused Silver Earrings

This class is an introduction to basic silver fusing, with a fun, wearable project as a result. Fusing is a process of connecting metal using heat but no solder. Many people find fusing more approachable than soldering because it doesn't require as many steps or any chemicals. Fusing is not practical for many projects, but is very easy to use when closing rings of all sizes.

Prerequisite: none

Please plan to provide all your own consumables including torch fuel. 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).



Supplies Required

Fine Silver wire, 12ga or 14ga
Sterling Silver wire, 20ga
Torch Fuel

Tools used

Torch
Fusing surface
Soldering tweezers
Third Hand
Chain Nose Pliers
Flat Nose Pliers (or 2 Chain Nose)
Flush Cutters
File
Magnification
Portable Ott Light

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.