

BIRCHBANK FARMS

2020/2021 SCHOOL YEAR

1826 Platt St, Niles, MI 49120

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Class Title: Beads, Baubles and Bangles - The historical and hysterical uses of beads
Category: Historical Arts
Grades: 4th grade – 12th grade
Levels: All levels
When: Tuesdays at 2:00 pm until 3:20 pm, starting Sept. 15, 2020
Where: Birchbank Farms
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PLEASE NOTE: CLASS DATES AND TIMES MAY CHANGE IF ANY CLASS MUST BE SPLIT UP TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING AND STUDENT SAFETY.

Class Description

Beads have a varied and exciting history and many more uses than one might expect. Learn how to use them in new and creative ways and why they are what they are. Students will be asked to contribute to project materials.

This is usually a full year class but your student is welcome to join us for one or both semesters. Each semester consists of 12 sessions, each 1 hour and 20 minutes long.

Syllabus /Outline

The syllabus is a general guideline. Projects, skill goals and order may be changed to better suit the skill level of a particular class, a particular student, available mediums and supplies and weather. Each student will be required to finish an individual or group project before the end of the semester for which information will be provided in the first class. Final project pictures will be displayed in the Gallery on our website.

Semester 1 Fall 2020

- 1 (9/15/20) Intro/baseline work, student contact, hold harmless Look at collection and determine styles so students can go home and analyze their own pieces.
- 2 (9/22/20) Trade goods experiment. Make paper beads.
- 3 (9/29/20) Design principles of worn jewelry.
- 4 (10/6/20) Sculptures with pony beads and wire-bugs
- 5 (10/13/20) Native American edge beading....hat or hood
- 6 (10/20/20) cont.

- 7 (10/27/20) Home décor/lamp shade
- 8 (11/3/20)cont.
- 9 (11/10/20)(Final project photos taken for Birchbank Schools website) from above projects.
- 10 (11/17/20) recycled junk jewelry
- 11 (11/24/20 Thanksgiving week)Beaded wire ball Holiday ornament with tassel.
- 12- (12/1/20) bonus Mosaic Brie box.

Make-up class for Fall absence.... Search your home and see where beads could be used as home décor. See if there are any “hidden Treasure beads” that could be recycled. Make beads from found items in the house. Photo and tell class all about it.

Semester 2- Spring 2021

- 1 (1/12/21) intro, baseline work, student contact, hold harmless Beaded bookmark on felt.
- 2 (1/19/21) American Military “Hearts. Small seed beads and appliqué.
- 3 (1/26/21) cont. (students will be asked to bring in a pair of “cloth” shoes for next session)
- 4 (2/2/21) Shoes. Styles and how to adapt.
- 5 (2/9/21) Cont.
- 6 (2/16/21)Glued and bead wrapped Egg.
- 7 (2/23/21) Fimo beads. New products, old methods. Famous beads
- 8 (3/2/21) cont.
- 9 (3/9/21) Final project photos taken for Birchbank School website Chose from above.
- 10 (3/16/21) Frame with screen. Use patterns or freehand. Found beads sewn to screen with image behind.
- 11 (3/23/21) Cont.
- 12- (3/30/21) Bonus Bead and wire flowers. Or wire trees.

Attendance / Tardy Policy/COVID and Illness Policy

Your student’s attendance and participation in class are required. Illness and pre-approved absences, family emergencies and weather or pandemic related closures will be excused. Make up work for absences in excess

of two classes will be assigned if necessary. Your student is required to attend at least 80% of the classes scheduled.

Late arrivals interrupt other student's learning and will not be tolerated on an ongoing basis. If your student has a scheduling conflict and requires some flexibility, we will try to work with you but this must be discussed with and approved by Ms. Frizzo in advance.

There is a ten minute passing period. Students will be expected to assist in clean up and respect the class schedule. All students should endeavor to arrive on time, ready to learn. All students will leave their coats and bags in the entryway. Separate hooks are provided. Shoes will be removed or sanitized at the door. Students will then be required to wash their hands prior to the start of class and again at the end of class. Students will not share supplies and will have a designated place to put their supplies. The classroom will be sanitized by the teacher in between each class.

IF THE STUDENT OR ANY MEMBER OF HIS/HER FAMILY HAS A FEVER OR CONTAGIOUS DISEASE THEY SHOULD STAY HOME. WE ENCOURAGE ALL OF OUR STUDENTS TO PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE AND RECEIVE TIMELY VACCINATIONS, ESPECIALLY FOR CHICKEN POX AND THE FLU AND CORONAVIRUS, IF AND WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

Questions, please visit our website or send us an email.