


CAM ACADEMY TRUST COURSE INFORMATION

Course Title	Upholstery					
Course Description	<p>This is your chance to learn how to transform, revitalise and recycle worn out chairs. Come along and learn upholstery skills in a friendly and informal workshop setting. Whether you are a beginner or have more experience these classes provide the ideal environment to work at your own pace on your own project with the support and guidance of an experienced upholsterer.</p> <p>Through practical projects you will learn traditional and modern techniques and how these apply to different chair styles and furniture periods. Advice will be given about suitability of projects based on experience as well as the materials and tools required to complete them. There are no storage facilities, so projects must be easily transportable to and from each class.</p>					
Start Date	27 th Sep 2022 17 th Jan 2023 2 nd May 2023	Day & Time	Tuesday 18:00 – 21:00	Venue	Melbourn Village College	
Tutor Details	<p>Janet Capstick runs her own upholstery business and teaches upholstery leisure classes at Letchworth Settlement. Janet started her own upholstery journey attending leisure classes but after 5 years took the plunge and set up her own business whilst completing her (Association of Master Upholsterers and Soft Furnishers accredited) professional upholstery skills Diploma.</p> <p>Janet is experienced in both modern and traditional upholstery techniques, and also chair caning and rush weaving.</p>					
No. of wks	9	Terms		2		
Fee per term	£157	Concessionary Fee		£118		
Course Level:	Mixed ability			x		
	Level 1, Level 2 (equiv. to GCSE / NVQ2)					
	Level 3 Equivalent GCE A Level					
Skills or qualifications needed for entry into the class			None but some practical skills would be useful.			
Course aims & objectives						
To learn the skills required to re-upholster a chair: beginners should bring a drop seat chair or similar small item initially.						

You will learn to:

- Use the basic principles of upholstery to re-upholster your items to the highest standards
- Use safely and correctly upholstery equipment, materials and tools
- Plan and calculate upholstery materials and fabric requirements for frames
- Repair and revitalise wooden frames
- Strip back old upholstery safely and carefully
- Understand the Fire Regulations as they apply to Domestic Furniture (fillings & fabric)
- Complete a basic chair project before progressing to more complicated upholstery techniques and frames.

Progression – after this course what might you do next?

If a project is completed during the term learners may wish to progress to more complicated projects, which can be discussed with the tutor.

How progress & success will be recorded

Learners and the tutor will take digital photographs to record progress.

Additional course costs (e.g. visits, materials, books, equipment)

Your own piece of furniture such as a drop-in seat, sprung dining chairs, fireside chair, pin cushion chair, headboard or similar. Basic upholstery tools (see below), fabric for your chair and upholstery materials (e.g. webbing, hessian, fillings, calico etc). Upholstery materials, fabrics/trims and tools can be purchased from the tutor.

Materials/equipment required for first class

A measuring tape, a wooden mallet, a tack lifter or staple remover (depending on the project selected), pliers, scissors a notebook and pen.

Contact for further information

Adult Education: 01223 264721
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Enrolment and Payment

Please enrol at Comberton Village College for all courses, including those in Cambourne, Melbourn and online. **Please assume the class is running once payment has been received, unless you hear to the contrary.**

We would appreciate payment of fees over the telephone by debit card, however, if that is not possible then we will accept cash/cheques.

By Phone: 01223 264721

Email: commed@catrust.co.uk

Cheques: The Cam Academy Trust

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Refunds

Refunds are only available if we close a class or you withdraw at least two weeks before the start. In the latter case there is a £5 administrative charge. Classes cancelled by us due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. tutor illness) will be replaced with an extra class at the end.

Concessionary Fees

25% discount (excluding materials) is available for those in receipt of JSA/ESA, Universal Credit, Carers Allowance or a social care assessment (EHCP, PIP) evidence to be provided. It is also possible to pay by instalments, please ask for details.

Equalities statement

We are fully committed to equality of opportunity and welcome enrolments from all adults aged 19+ (on 31 August 2022). We positively encourage all learners with any concerns about specific needs which might affect their learning to discuss their requirements with us in confidence. We believe that everyone is entitled to learn in an environment that is free from discriminatory behaviour so that we build a community based on mutual trust and respect. We will do our best to ensure that resources and equipment are accessible to all and make reasonable adjustments to ensure that all learners can access activities.

Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills service supports a wide range of other adult learning opportunities across Cambridgeshire to support adults with the lowest level of qualifications or no qualification at all, and so typically find themselves in lower paid, less secure jobs or unemployed. Search our website **www.cambsals.co.uk** for details of all our funded courses.

Safeguarding Statement

Arrangements have been made to make sure that you are safe at our Centres. If you feel you are not safe for any reason, for example through verbal or physical abuse or you have been discriminated against, please tell your tutor or the Centre Manager, who will investigate to ensure your safety.

How we use your data

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/esfa-privacy-notice>