

# Denman College News January 2011

## Inspiring Women Workshops

26 & 27 May 2011

If you've never had the chance to visit Denman College before to see what it has to offer, these workshops will provide you with a perfect snapshot. During the two days, the College is offering a range of activities and demonstrations featuring craft and alternative therapies to inspire you to come and take on a new challenge or try a new activity.

Each day includes two 2.5-hour workshops in two different subjects. The first workshop features patchwork and silver clay jewellery, Workshop Two explores the art of willow work and silk scarf dyeing and the final workshop provides the best stress buster with T'ai Chi and reflexology. Places are open to all members and non-members, so why not bring a group of friends for a relaxing day at Denman. Places cost £40 per person including morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea.

Attend a day workshop, sample a couple of courses and soak up the atmosphere. Why not book the workshops back to back? Dinner, bed and breakfast packages are available the night before each workshop (£46 WI members, £49 non-members). Please contact Denman College to book your places 01865 391991 or [info@denman.org.uk](mailto:info@denman.org.uk)

## WI Cookery School update

Calling all foodies - a new WI Cookery School brochure has been launched to provide you with details of the range of courses available at the WI Cookery School for 2011. As part of the range of courses on offer, the cookery school will be featuring special events and courses with guest chefs throughout the year. Please contact Denman College if you would like a copy of the new brochure 01865 391991 or [info@denman.org.uk](mailto:info@denman.org.uk).

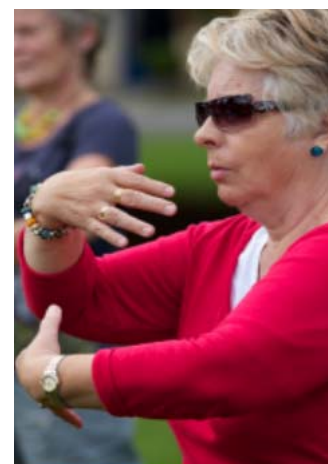
Due to popular demand, we have extended our range of family cooking courses for 2011. These courses offer a great opportunity for parents or grandparents to cook alongside the younger members of the family so they can learn a range of new skills, find out more about where their food comes from and take home some lovely treats for all the family to enjoy. Family cookery courses are for children aged 6 plus and are aimed to inspire young cooks to develop their skills and abilities.

## The Wedding Series at Denman College

Your wedding day is a unique, special occasion that you want to relax and enjoy but often all the arrangements and costs for the event can be frightening. We have developed a new series of courses at Denman College to help you and your wedding party create a wonderful occasion, with lots of special touches that will not break the bank.

Come and master the craft of handmade wedding stationery, develop an inspired wedding breakfast menu, transform your venue with flowers that make a statement, or learn how to trip the light fantastic around the dance floor for the all important first dance. Bride grooms are more than welcome to sign up too! Courses dates: 26 February Wedding Flowers, 3-6 March The Wedding Breakfast, 26 March Cupcakes and Canapés, 2 April Wedding Stationery and Calligraphy and 30 April, First Dance. For more details of the Wedding Series, please contact Denman College 01865 391991 or [info@denman.org.uk](mailto:info@denman.org.uk).

**To book your place on any of these courses, please contact Denman College 01865 391991 or book online by visiting [www.theWI.org.uk/college](http://www.theWI.org.uk/college)**



## WI Craft School specialist courses for jewellery lovers

**During 2011, the WI Craft School will be hosting a number of courses for you to come and make some wonderful, unique pieces either to keep yourself or to give as presents. Using two wonderful mediums and a broad range of techniques for beading and silver clay, these courses have been designed for the first time student to accomplished crafters.**

### **Beading for beginners and beyond with Pat Trott**

27 – 30 January 2011 - Course No. 414 £340 + materials

13 - 17 June 2011 - Course no. 836 £410 + materials

Beading is therapeutic, relaxing and very addictive. Many wonderful jewellery items can be made using needle, thread and beads. There are many different stitches and this course offers you the opportunity to learn some of them. We will begin with an introduction to the materials needed, an explanation of some of the stitches and the showing of many samples. Each different stitch will be demonstrated and the students encouraged to work at their own pace. *Please note above that there are two courses for this subject due to demand.*

### **Beaded Flowers with Liz Thornton**

3 - 6 March 2011. Course No. 523. £340 + materials

Create beautiful three-dimensional beaded flowers using a needle, thread and beads. Make a basic flower shape in square stitch and then explore variations. Experienced beaders may further develop techniques into specific flowers.

### **Silver Jewellery with Pauline Payne**

9 - 13 May 2011 - Course No. 726 £410 + materials

6 -9 June 2011 - Course no. 816 £340 + materials

30 August – 2 September 2011 – Course No. 1076 £340 + materials

Many people regard making jewellery as being very complex. This course shows that once armed with a few basic techniques, even the most apparently complicated pieces can be easily made. The course is suitable for complete beginners. Traditional jewellery techniques will first be introduced through the making of a silver band ring. With a simple approach to design, you will be helped to make several other pieces of jewellery and will be surprised at the standard of work that can be achieved. *Please note above that there are three courses for this subject due to demand.*

### **Embellished Beaded Bracelets with Liz Thornton**

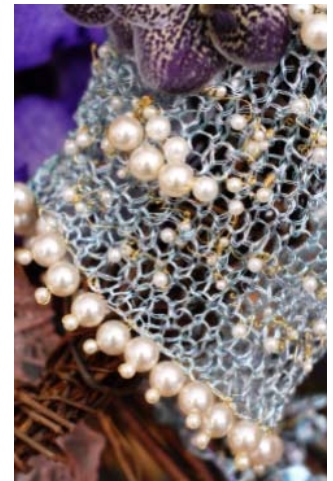
31 May – 03 June 2011. Course No. 795. £340 + materials

Create beautiful beadwork bracelets using a needle, thread and beads. Make a beaded grid for the base and then explore ways of embellishing the surface for added interest of colour, pattern and texture.

### **Silver Jewellery with Susan Wright**

20- 23 June 2011. Course no. 851. £340 + materials

An introduction to the basic principles of making jewellery with traditional tools and an opportunity to produce a pretty piece of silver jewellery at a very acceptable cost. Ideal as a present...or to keep!



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