

STAINED GLASS GARDEN LADDERS - THE NEXT STEPS

WITH CAROLINE LAMBERT

14 – 15 JULY 2020 – 10AM – 4PM



What will you learn?

Having already done the One Day Garden Ladder workshop you are now ready to take it to the next level!

During your time with Caroline you will create a more ornate ladder for your garden using not only the vibrant colours of stained glass but also various extra elements of wirework and solder-work in decorative and more organic forms.

You will choose from one of four tried and tested designs, but this workshop is all about development and decoration and I will be happy to help you adapt them if you wish.

Your finished piece will measure approximately 16cm wide by 90cm tall with about 70cm of glass showing above the ground.

This is a guided day for those who already have some experience of glass cutting and lead work and everyone will be working at the same pace. At each stage in the process Caroline will begin with a practical demonstration so that everyone is clear what they need to do next.

You will start the day by making any design alterations you may wish to make before choosing and cutting the glass for the ladder. Then you will move on to mitring your zinc and sawing the steel reinforcing rods to length. You will then learn how to assemble the glass, zinc and lead into a single piece. You will learn how to solder the zinc and lead and will finish by creating the decorative metal work heads for the flowers before cleaning up the finished piece.



Who is your tutor?

Caroline Lambert is a well-established Stained-Glass Artist who has been teaching locally for the last 15 years. She has a well-deserved reputation as an enthusiastic and patient tutor.

Are there any additional costs?

If you wish to use Caroline's materials the cost will be £55 all inclusive.

Alternatively you can buy any extras you need along the way.

Lead came £3.80 per 1.8m length (6mm), Zinc £11.70 per 1.8m length, Steel rods £6.00 each, Solder £2.50 per stick, Wire £1 per meter, glass by weight.

What will I need?

Caroline will provide all the tools and equipment you need, including patterns and making up boards as well as a good selection of glass for you to choose from. You are however welcome to bring your own glass etc.

You will also need to bring your own apron and something to wrap your finished ladder in. (Although the finished ladder will be quite sturdy, it is made of glass, and some bubble wrap or an old blanket would provide useful protection while you carry it home.)

Health and safety

Please ensure you wear closed in shoes. Long hair will need to be tied up and please don't wear dangling scarves and jewellery. Safety glasses will be provided.

As we are working with lead this day is not suitable for pregnant or nursing mothers. Also please be aware that the day will involve long periods of standing as well as physical activities such as cutting glass and lead and sawing metal.

How do I find Kingshill House?

Kingshill House can be found in Kingshill Lane in Dursley, on the road down to the new hospital. The entrance is opposite the Fire Station. The address is: Kingshill House, Kingshill Lane, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 4BZ.

Is there parking?

Kingshill House has a large free car park on site. (Not always guaranteed at busy times)

What about refreshments?

We will provide morning and afternoon tea, coffee, cookies and cakes and a two course buffet style lunch. (if you have any dietary requirements please send a mail to admin@kingshillhouse.org.uk)