



Sculpture 101: Animals

Semester: Summer 2024 - 2nd block

Days: Wednesdays, July 3 – July 24

Times: 6:30-8:30 pm

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Course Description

Sculpt your favorite animal with us! In this introductory class, we'll cover clay sculpting basics, focusing on slab and coil building techniques. All experience levels are welcome, with a particular emphasis on beginners to sculpting and clay work. Bring your favorite animal as inspiration and let our instructor guide you through the creative process.

What will you learn?

Basics of clay sculpting

Techniques of slab building

Techniques of coil building

Underglaze and glazing techniques

Materials

(Available at House of Clay in OKC)

- Serrated metal rib
- Pottery tool kit
 - Smooth metal rib
 - Wire tool
 - Needle tool
 - Sponge

Class Schedule

Students will learn the basics of how to sculpt with clay. We will begin the class with a demonstration of how to sculpt an animal and which techniques are more helpful depending on the size and animal. Students will then begin sculpting their own, with guidance from the instructor. For the second week, students will begin refining and adding details to the work. By the end of the third session, all work should be finished and ready to fire. In the final class students will underglaze and clear glaze to finish the work.

First Class: Begin preliminary sculpting.

Second Class: Continue working, refine and add details.

Third Class: Smoothing, adding surface texture, finish work by the end of class to fire.

Fourth Class: Underglaze and clear glaze to finish pieces.