

Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshops and Demos

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Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop

Dates and times

A weekend morning or afternoon or a weekday evening would be good for this one time workshop. The workshop itself needs about 2 to 3 hours depending on the amount of students.

Description

In this one day workshop students will learn how to create Pysanky or Ukrainian Eggs. They will learn some of the history of the art as well as how to make these beautiful eggs. Then they will have the opportunity to create an egg and take it home with them at the end of the workshop. Extra egg decorating supplies will be available for purchase at the conclusion of the workshop if students want to try what they have learned home.



Syllabus

I spend approximately 30 minutes describing and demonstrating the process. I will also tell a little bit about its history. After this students have the remaining time to decorate their eggs. This is a long process that usually takes the rest of the time. Some students will work quicker than others. But all students will have an egg that they decorated to take home with them.

Ages of students

For this class I will require that students be age 10 and older (absolutely no one younger than this, because they cannot usually handle this technique). Students under age 14 should register and attend with an adult or there should be adequate adult supervision.



Supplies

I will supply everything needed for decorating one egg during the workshop. Students can then take this egg home with them as well as an information packet about the process.

For an additional cost each student can receive a mini kit to take home with them. Please let me know how many students to plan on at least 2 weeks before the workshop so that I have time to order the supplies. Or extra supplies can be available for sale at the end of the class.

Room set-up

The room will need to be set up with single tables so that people can set at either side of the tables. Each person needs to have enough room to work. There will need to be 2 supply tables to put supplies on. The egg dyes will need to be set up somewhere that everyone can access. The dyes might be best in an area that can be protected from spillage. For example if a kitchen area is available that works well. All tables should be covered with table coverings to protect the surfaces.

Needs for Setup and Cleanup

I will need about 30 minutes to 1 hour for the set up of this class. If it's available, I could use help with the set up because it takes a long time. If a volunteer can help me with the set up then they can do an egg for free. Cleanup is not a problem, because I usually do most of the cleanup myself as people are finishing up with their eggs.

Copies

This class requires a large amount of copies. If copier is available it would be helpful to me to have you make copies for the class. I can bring the items to be copied the week before the class.

Minimum and Maximum Students

The workshop will require that the minimum number of students for this class be no less than 10 and the maximum be no more than 26 (depending on the size of the room). I can accommodate more students if I can be notified ahead of time so that I can be sure to have enough supplies. I can do a workshop of less than 10 but we will need to agree on a minimum cost for the class.

Cost

\$20 per person for the Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop includes supplies to make one egg. Extra supplies will be for sale at the end of the class (cost of these supplies is between \$5 - \$15). Each student can receive a kit at the completion of the workshop for an extra cost of \$8 - \$10 per person.

This figure could be negotiable if the group is extra large.

Ukrainian Egg Decorating Demo

Description

In this half day residency students will learn how to create Pysanky or Ukrainian Eggs. Artist Ginny Baughman will give a demo of the ancient art of Ukrainian Egg Decorating. Students will learn some of the history of the art as well as how these beautiful eggs are made. The demo begins with showing the students how to blow out an egg and then proceed on to a demonstration of the art of egg decorating.



Dates and times

This residency will last approximately one hour per class. This is a good class to offer at Easter time.

Room Set-Up

There will need to be two tables (or one large table) in front of the classroom. One table will be for working the demo on and the other will be for items for show. Students should be able to sit or stand around in front of the tables to see the demo.

Ages of Students

Students will need to be able to sit and watch a demonstration for one hour.



Number of Students

There should be no more than one class of approx. 25-35 students, because more students would make it difficult for students. It would be better to do single classes at a time instead of combining classes, because it would make it easier for students to see.

Cost

\$100 for one half day and this would cover 2- 3 classes of students depending on timing. Students will leave with Ukrainian egg sleeves that can be used for their own eggs.