

basic, intermediate, & advanced courses

build the jewelry
that you've never seen in a store
& always wanted to wear,

invent your own styles,
both traditional & non-traditional,

make gifts for the ones you love

create your own commitment bands
as part of your ceremony,

or simply have fun
playing with something new!

**ages 10 through adult
all abilities welcome!**

develop techniques with:

- ◆ forging, rivets, soldering, texturing, piercing & sawing, etc...
- ◆ stone setting
- ◆ lapidary
(create & use your own gemstones)
- ◆ mixed metals
- ◆ married metals
- ◆ mokume gane (wood grain metals)
- ◆ casting

specialize in one area,
or experiment with a bit of everything!

weekend intensives
4 week courses
ongoing or drop-in sessions
private classes

experienced already?
take advanced 'classes' and use them as
open studio time! become an apprentice!
explore new techniques!

schedules & pricing:

offering courses beginning june 2010
scheduling flexible!
saturday & sunday classes available
day & evening classes available

private lessons: \$40 - \$60 per hour sliding scale,
scheduling flexible: days, evenings, & weekends
available! (start dates available as soon as now!!!)
4 week courses \$250 - \$325 sliding scale (start
dates ongoing)

all smithing lessons require purchase of tool & materials kit (includes all metals necessary)

tool kits range from \$25.00 - \$50
materials kit usually between \$25.00 - \$50**
depending on course chosen

* extra metals & specialized pieces sold on as-
needed basis – either in kit form or by the piece
** prices depend on metal market & materials
needed for coursework chosen; call or email for
details
*** at end of courses all extra metals can:
- be sold back to me for recycling at standard
50% metal market,
- melted into nugget form for you to keep/wear,
- or keep them as scrap for future learning
opportunities!

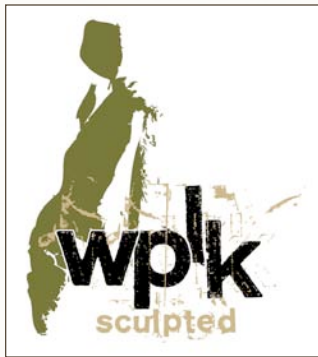


**wplk Sculpted
is offering:**

metalsmithing of all kinds

- workshops & courses
- private & group lessons
- available to do workshops in schools,
adult education, community programs





wplk sculpted is committed to an environmentally conscious practice:

we work with:

recycled metals *
(no metals from new mining, no new chemicals added to the earth)

processes involving chemistry use non-toxic & biodegradable chemicals

some gemstones can be ethically sourced, & certified as conflict-free.

(*exceptions may include: precious metal clays, some pre-fabricated settings & some copper & brass materials)

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explore & fabricate with:

sterling silver
14k yellow, green, white, &/or red golds
precious metal clays: silver, gold, bronze or copper clay
(works like clay, fires as pure precious metals)
mokume gane
copper & brass
rocks, gemstones, lapidary & more!!!



FABRICATION AND CASTING

learn the basics of silver, gold, mixed metals (including mokume), or metal-clay fabrication: master tool, technique, torches & theory through creating hands-on projects from your own imagination.

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open studio space available for advanced students.



*jeweler's bench;
learn the processes to create the jewelry you most want to see or wear in the world...*



*sterling silver rings:
this student cut & shaped the stones as well as designed & created the ring bands.*

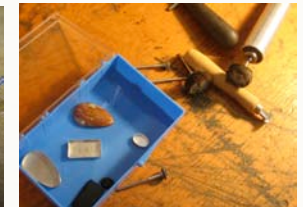
STONE SETTING

use natural gemstones to create earrings, rings, pendants, commitment jewelry, sculptures, etc... learn techniques for setting faceted gems &/or cabochon (rounded-top) stones, while making something beautiful along the way.

material kits include basic choices from an assortment of stones; requesting personal favorites is also absolutely encouraged!



*faceted earrings:
amethyst, garnet, peridot.*



*cabochons & silver bezels:
shape the jewelry to fit the beauty of the stones.*

LAPIDARY

use rough stones to design & create your own jewelry &/or sculpture. options & ideas are endless: relief & 3d sculptures, cabochons or faceted stones, bowls, utensils, chopsticks, etc... have at it!!!

bringing your own chunks of rock is fun & encouraged!!! making requests for particular kinds of stone is also fun & encouraged!!!



*shape the rocks to fit the ideas,
measure, carve, cut.*



shape, smooth, polish, refine.