

WORKSHOP ON WATERCOLOUR PAINTING



Program : 6 days

The pictorial technique of watercolour utilizes transparent colours diluted with water and applied to paper or equivalent (similar) materials.

The quick and rapid action of watercolour allows for that "flash" of reality, the evocative timelessness of the fleeting moment captured in this spontaneous medium.

More than any other medium watercolour allows for the expression of human emotion and sentiment, alongside the mystery and secrets of nature.

Program:

Introduction to the technique of watercolour (use of supports; various types of papers, fine and coarse texture; traditional colours, white colour; types of brushes; colours that can be found on the market and their differences).

- Painting method and correct proportions.
- Use of primary colours and their mix in order to make secondary and tertiary colours.
- Colour harmony and tonal gradation: exercise of composition of subjects using selected colours.
- Technique of wet on dry.
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- Technique of masking.
- Open-air watercolour painting in the Tuscan landscape.

Teacher

Resmi Al kafaji

Born in Iraq where he graduated in Art at the Institute of Fine Art of Bagdad and later at the Accademia di Belle Arti of Florence (Italy).

He has held several courses of different pictorial techniques at his atelier, at Lorenzo de Medici School and Giambo School in Florence, at Psychiatric Hospital of Montelupo Fiorentino and since 1990 he is art teacher at Leonardo School in Prato.

He participated in many exhibitions in Iraq, Italy, France, Sweden, The Netherlands, Great Britain and Belgium.

Since 1977 he lives and works in Italy.

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Practical information

Daily schedule

The cadence of the lessons varies according to each workshop ; each teacher have great freedom editing their schedule: nonetheless there are some fixed appointments that recur.

Sunday

4 to 7 p.m. : arrival and registration

8.30 p.m. : dinner and meeting with teacher and other students

From Monday to Friday

8.30 to 9.30 a.m.: breakfast

12.30 to 2 p.m. : packed lunch

8.30 p.m. : dinner

10 p.m. : review session

Saturday

8.30 to 9.30: breakfast

Final review session and workshop conclusions

The workshop is over at 12 a.m.

Check out within 12 a.m. of Sunday

Fee

Workshop fee is : € 1500 .

The cost includes :

- lessons 6 days
- 7 nights accomodation in the "Artist's house" *
- provisions for sel-catering breakfast
- packed lunch
- dinner at typical restaurant
- materials for the workshops
- shuttle service for excursions (when applicable)
- use of the lab over the lesson's hours (maximum until 11 p.m.)
- use of "meeting room " over the lesson's hours (maximum until 11 p.m.)

*The first students to enrol may take up accommodation in the "Artists' house", in double or triple rooms with shared bathrooms and kitchen, in a self-catering family situation, thus favouring a genuine exchange of experiences.

Beyond the first enrolled, any further students may avail of accommodation, paying a supplementary charge, in single rooms or sharing in agriturismo (farmhouse holiday centres) which have a favourable arrangement with us and are situated not more than five minutes' walk from the location of the courses.

Is not included :

- travel to and from the location of the workshop

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Partecipants

The number of partecipants is minimum 5 maximum 15.
The workshop will be held to achieve the minimum number of partecipants.

It is open to all skill levels.

Where we are

We are in Greve in Chianti , near Florence, Tuscany – Italy
It is suggested, when possible, to come by car, also to explore the surrounding area.

TRAIN

The closest station is Firenze Santa Maria Novella . Behind the railway station, there is the bus station, for bus schedule please consult www.acvbus.it . Let know your arrival in Greve in Chianti and we can arrange a free pick up service on Sunday afternoon.

CAR

From Nord, highway A1 direction Rome or from Sud , highway A1 direction Bologna , the exit is Firenze Certosa , then take the road direction Greve in Chianti . Arriving at the ESSO petrol station in Greve in Chianti veer right (following the brown sign for PIEVE DI SAN CRESCI) . At the small bridge turn right across the bridge and then immediately left up a steep hill. Proceed uphill (via di Zano) and remain on the road which soon become unproved . You will pass the villa di ZANO on your right, continue for another approximately 800 m. and you will see the PIEVE DI SAN CRESCI.

If you have a navigator fill in the following information: Greve in Chianti, Località San Cresci 1

AIRPLANE

The closest airport is the one of Florence . From there you can easily reach the train station by bus and then follow the train itinerary (see above). We are about 90 minutes away from the airport.

You can also rent a car to come in Greve in Chianti .

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Arrival and departure

You should arrive between 4 and 7 p.m. on SUNDAY: that will give you time to check into your room, and be ready for the dinner at 8.30 p.m. where you will meet your teacher and other participants.

The workshops end at noon on Saturday.

Check out within 12 a.m. of Sunday

Accommodation

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Internet

Free Internet connection wireless is possible both in the meeting room and in the "Artist's house".

Enrolment

The number of participants for each workshop is a minimum of 5 and a maximum 15 people, in order to maintain a more direct relationship with the teacher.

You can enrol :

- by e-mail
- by fax

For your reservation to be effective you must send a deposit of Euro 500 for workshop as down payment.

Registration form constitute an agreement to the terms and conditions as laid out here.

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Payment

The balance is due 30 days before the beginning of the workshop.

You can pay through :

- **Bank transfer to :**
Beneficiary: La Macina di San Cresci
IBAN IT02 L 07601 02800 000067195313
- **By PAYPAL**

Workshop cancellation /Refunds

When working with professional teachers it can happen that at the last minute an unalterable assignment forces them to cancel a workshop.

A workshop can be cancelled if we do not reach the minimum number of participants. In these cases the students can choose either to be fully reimbursed or transferred to another course.

If you decide to cancel for any reason, the refunds terms are :

- 60 days before the starting date of workshop: total reimburse
- Between 60 and 16 days before the starting date of workshop : 50% of the fee
- Less 15 days before the starting date of workshop : no reimburse

La Macina di San Cresci is not responsible for reimbursement of travel expenses in case a workshop is cancelled. We recommend that you buy refundable air/train tickets and/or travel insurance.

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What to bring

All materials for the workshop are included.
We suggest to bring a coat for the painting .

You can bring a selection of your works for the first meeting with the teacher .

The atmosphere is informal. We recommend practical and comfortable clothes.

Language

The courses are held by teachers able to speak in English .

Insurance

La Macina di San Cresci is not liable for personal injuries or equipment damage during the workshop duration. The signing of the enrolment form releases La Macina di San Cresci from any liability.

Companions

The Chianti region is an enchanting territory which attracts millions of people. If you wish to participate in one of our courses and you have a partner, family-member or friend, contact us for an "accommodation-only quote".

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