

What's on MAY & JUNE

Find out what's happening in the jewellery world near you

MAY

3 MAY - EAST YORKSHIRE MYSTIC STONESETTING

Design and create your own traditional bezel setting for gorgeous cabochon stones in Bishop Burton.

£145, craftworx.co.uk

3 MAY - LONDON INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED JEWELLERY TECHNIQUES AND PROJECTS

Get the chance to develop existing skills and acquire new ones with this 11-week jewellery course. £211, marywardcentre.ac.uk

6 MAY - HAMPSHIRE AN INTRODUCTION TO GEMSTONES

Learn to use gemmologist's tools and have the chance to examine a large variety of gemstones at the studio in Warnford village.

£80, meonvalleystudio.com

6 MAY - SCOTLAND MAKING JEWELLERY WORKSHOP

This one-day course at Lossiemouth High School teaches techniques such as sawing, texturing, roller printing, and much more.

£65, thebenchworks.co.uk

14 MAY - SURREY ADULT BEGINNERS' POLYMER WORKSHOP

You will learn how to choose colours, condition the clay and create beautiful patterns using the ancient glass-working technique, millefiori.

£36, doodlepippin.co.uk

17-19 MAY - CUMBRIA SILVER CLAY COURSE

A three-day course in making stunning professionally styled jewellery, creating three pieces to take away in Higham Hall College, Cockermouth.

£162, highamhall.com

21 MAY - LANCASHIRE SHAMBELLA BRACELETS

Spend the afternoon learning knotting techniques using glass beads at Brockholes Nature Reserve, Preston.

£12, craft-class-lancs.co.uk

JUNE

3 JUNE - GUILDFORD PERSONALISED SILVER JEWELLERY

Learn how to design and make your own silver jewellery in a friendly, creative atmosphere, where everyone is encouraged to share great tips and tricks. Prices vary,

kirstenhendrich.com

3 JUNE - STAFFORDSHIRE METAL CLAY TASTER CLASS

Enjoy Tracey Spurgin's three-hour introduction to making jewellery out of metal clay.

£45, tuffnellglass.com

18 JUNE - CORNWALL CORNISH MRBEAD BEAD SHOW

Seize the opportunity to restock your dwindling string, loose bead and pearl supplies and partake in a variety of workshops to be held at the Out of the Box Cornish Craft House.

Free admission, ukbeadfairs.com

18 JUNE - DERBYSHIRE REPAIR, CLEAN AND RESTYLE YOUR OLD JEWELLERY

Learn traditional silversmithing techniques from Louise Mary in her studio near Burton on Trent, south Derbyshire.

£70, louisemarydesigns.co.uk

22 JUNE - SURREY INTERMEDIATE POLYMER WORKSHOP

This three-hour workshop, held at Hobbycraft in Crawley will cover the all-important Skinner blend, including some tips and tricks to get the best out of it. Using your own colour gradients you will create your own complex and subtle canes.

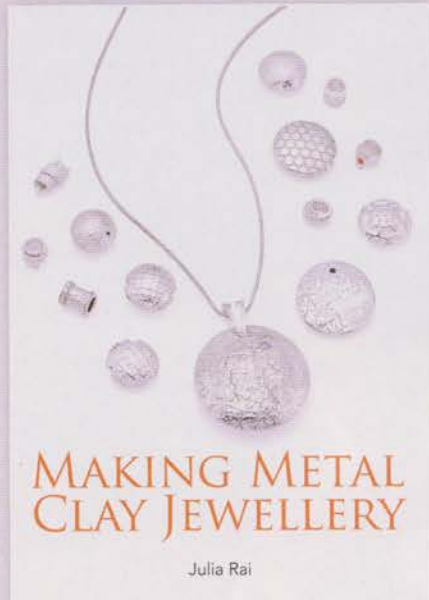
£36, doodlepippin.co.uk

26 APRIL TO 28 JUNE - BRIGHTON CONTEMPORARY JEWELLERY WITH ANNA WATSON

On this 10-session evening course working with silver and base metals, you can learn a range of techniques including doming, folding, scoring, casting, texturing and more.

£160, eventbrite.co.uk

BOOK REVIEW



MAKING METAL CLAY JEWELLERY JULIA RAI

Julia Rai is a jewellery designer with a long history of involvement in metal clay. Attracted to the medium when it first appeared on the UK shores, over time Julia has honed her skills in this medium and can now (without hesitation) be called a master of metal clay. *Making Metal Clay Jewellery* is Julia's first book and is an invaluable guide to making all aspects of silver clay jewellery. Packed with simple, yet inspiring and elegant projects, Julia manages to epitomise what it means to pursue quality within every piece you make. With clear instructions, step-by-step photographs and simple styles, you can easily start making your own jewellery and embellishments. *Making Metal Clay Jewellery* is an exemplary resource for those who wish to learn and also build upon their skills with this versatile material.

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