

Course Title	Etching Pt 1: From Hard Ground to Aquatint
Tutor	Katie Jones
Day	Wednesday, 6.30pm – 9.30pm
Dates	19/04/2017 - 17/05/2017 (5 weeks)
Course Code	EC1602PR03
Level	Beginner - Intermediate
Cost	£150



What is this course about?

This popular course is ideal for beginners or repeat attendees. You will develop a composition through line, texture and tone by etching a zinc plate in a saline sulphate mordant. This five week course concentrates on some of the fundamental techniques of etching, including hard ground, soft ground and aquatint. There is a maximum of ten students per course guided by one to one tutoring from an acclaimed printmaker with over ten years printmaking experience.

The studio is a low-toxic environment with dedicated printmaking facilities for professional hands-on learning. Students benefit from the diversity of attendees, taught by internationally renowned printmaking artists at a central location, offering a unique educational experience in London.

By the end of this course:

You will be self led and have gained experience to continue developing your etching skills during Open Access on Thursday evenings or Saturday daytime. You may also wish to continue to attend our wider range of printmaking weekend, short and Certificate courses to further expand your printmaking knowledge.

About your tutor

Please see <http://www.katherine-jones.co.uk/> for examples of Katherine's work and history.

What level is the course and do I need any particular skills?

Ideal for complete beginners, for attendees requiring a refresher course or who have previously completed a Printmaking Taster Weekend.

How will I be taught, and what feedback and support will I get?

Your experienced tutor will support you throughout the course in both group sessions and one-to-one support providing daily feedback, critique and constructive advice. Each course ends in a final round up session and should you wish for any specific feedback or support, please speak with your tutor at the start of your course.

When I've finished, what course can I do next?

There are a variety of courses available as short courses over the Easter and the Summer holidays, also a range of evening classes in Printmaking as well as drawing, painting and sculpture.

A rolling programme of specialist Printmaking courses takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and visiting printmakers facilitate specialist courses on weekends throughout the year. Open Access with supervision takes place on Thursday evening or Saturday daytime. Monthly Access is available for attendees with competent printmaking experience.

If you have more time available huge development can be made in your practice by attending one of our part time day classes in printmaking or the printmaking certificate programme. Please see all the options available on our web site.

<http://artacademy.org.uk/short-courses/>

<http://artacademy.org.uk/part-time/certificate>

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Are there any other costs? What else should I bring?

Material costs are included in your course fee.

Weekly breakdown

Courses at the Art Academy offer a structured approach to ensure specific subjects, skills and methods are covered. Below is a weekly breakdown of what will be covered. Bear in mind that these classes will move with the pace of the class so a degree of flexibility of what will be covered on which day will be employed. The description below is indicative only.

Week	Topic/skills covered	Location	What to bring
1	Degreasing a zinc plate, applying a hard ground and drawing with an etching needle. Students can take the plate away to complete at home.	Print studio	Bring images, photos or a sketchbook etc
2	Applying stop-out varnish and etching in a saline sulphate mordant. Inking up, wiping and proofing the etched image on the printing press.	Print studio	Tutor will advise ahead of class
3	Degreasing the plate, applying a soft ground, before applying texture and/or drawing, and etching and proofing again.	Print studio	Tutor will advise ahead of class
4	Degreasing the plate, applying an aquatint, stopping out and etching in saline sulphate. Students may also choose to experiment with sugar lift or spitbite at this stage in the course. Continuing with proofing.	Print studio	Tutor will advise ahead of class
5	Continuing to develop and print plates.	Print studio	Tutor will advise ahead of class

Resources & Further Reading

Artists: Francisco Goya, Chuck Close, Kiki Smith, Louise Bourgeois, Norman Ackroyd, Chapman Brothers, Paula Rego, David Hockney and Pablo Picasso.

Museum Print Collections: Tate, V&A and the British Museum.

Print Libraries: National Art Library (V&A), St. Bride Library, Westminster Reference Library

Welcome to The Art Academy

We are looking forward to welcoming you to The Art Academy and wish you the very best for your course. To help ensure you are fully prepared and make the best of your time with us you will find lots of information in this pack that will help. If at any time you would like to speak to a member of the team please feel free to contact us using the details below.

We value feedback on all of our courses so please keep us posted on your progress.

Who can I contact for further information?

General information and advice on courses at The Art Academy is available from the main office, open Monday to Friday 09:00 – 17:00 during term time.

Tel: +44 (0) 207407 6969

Email: rebecca@artacademy.org.uk

Location

The Art Academy is conveniently located minutes away from London Bridge (Northern and Jubilee lines, National Rail services) and Borough (Northern line) underground stations. Please follow signs for Borough High Street to exit. Please [click here](#) for a map.

Just moments walk from the Thames; The Art Academy is also ideally located for access to:

White Cube

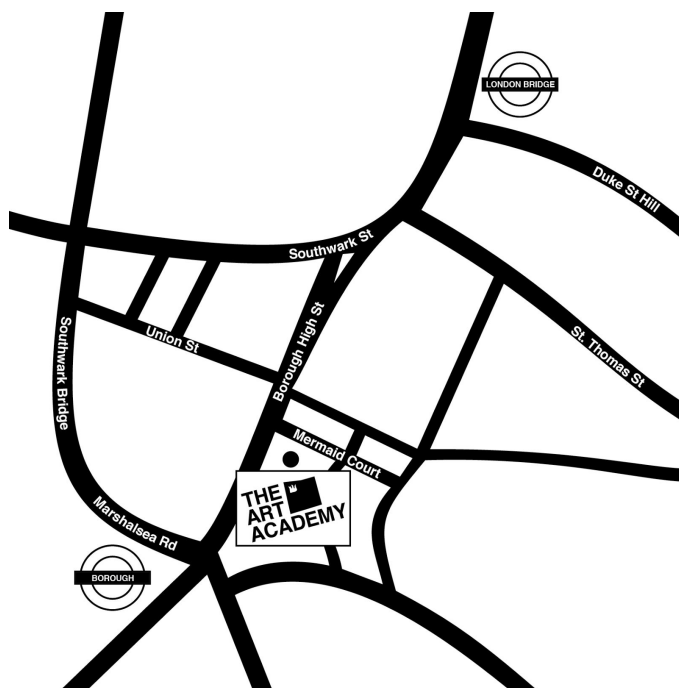
Tate Modern

Jerwood Gallery

If you would like to make the most of the area a member of the team will be happy to advise you on areas of interest locally.

Mermaid Court

165A Borough High Street, London SE1 1HR



Refreshments & Facilities

All students have access to the common room located in the Barn, on the ground floor of the Mermaid Court building. Here you will have use of a fridge, kettle, microwave and eating area. There is a wealth of supermarkets, shops and cafes in the area as well as the world-famous Borough Food Market.

Should you have any access requirements please speak to a member of the Academy team before your course starts.

Further Details

- You will need to have paid in full for your class before the first session of your class, your place is not guaranteed until we have received payment.
- Ensure that you wear old clothing, as you may get messy!
- All artwork at the Academy MUST be taken home at the end of the course.
- Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off, or is on silent, during the class.
- Please read the Health and Safety Guidelines carefully, provided at the beginning of your course.
- If you have any further queries let us know and we will do our best to resolve them.