

ARROWMONT

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Jewelry/Mixed Media

Instructor: Dongyi Wu

Dates: April 9-12, 2026

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This workshop introduces students to the transformation of flat fabric scraps into wearable jewelry and small, soft sculptural forms. All skill levels are welcome. This workshop will focus on developing unique fabric components inspired by fashion imagery and collage techniques. Students will explore how to design and construct voluminous, artistic fabric components. Instruction will also include the fabrication of metal findings—such as a fibula (an ancient safety pin) and jump rings—to securely connect the fabric components to the body. Students will then expand on these skills by creating soft sculptural forms through the introduction of paper sculpture techniques adapted for fabric. Students will experiment with reshaping, rolling, and duplicating techniques to construct dimensional and expressive soft sculptures. Basic hand sewing, creative sewing, embroidery, and introductory metalworking techniques will all be covered.

WHAT TO BRING

- Fabric Scrap if you have some
- Fashion magazines if you have any
- Sewing notions like thimbles, seam ripper, needle threader if have any
- Decorative items: any beads, buttons if have any
- 1 Notebook for sketching or taking notes
- Flash drive (to protect and save data to and from Library computers)

Planning to purchase materials from the Supply Store for your workshop? Keep in mind that the Supply Store carries a limited selection and cannot guarantee that all materials listed by your instructor will be in stock. Please call **865-436-5860 Ext. 25** or email Celeste Rudd at **crudd@arrowmont.org** to reserve your selection prior to arrival.

MATERIALS FEES | **\$40.00-\$80.00**

Fees are assessed on an individual class basis and may vary from class to class depending on the amount of materials used and the number of students in the class, this keeps your out-of-pocket costs lower than a typical flat fee. Fees include all provided studio materials as assigned by the Instructor. Material fees are to be paid in the Supply Store no later than midday on the last day of workshop instruction.

Please be advised that the above course description and materials list has been written and approved by the instructor.

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