

ARROWMONT

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Papermaking

Instructor: Leah Hamel

Dates: September 27 – October 2, 2026

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this experimental workshop, students will learn to create dynamic surfaces and forms using handmade paper and aquas dyes, focusing on the rich textures possible through fiber manipulation. Working with cotton and abaca, students will begin by preparing fibers in the paper beater before moving into paper and pulp casting techniques to achieve a variety of forms from molds created during the session. Students are encouraged to bring personal objects or materials that are softer shaped, and not deeply textured, to use in casting to further personalize their work. In addition to mastering 3D papermaking techniques, students will participate in guided ideation processes and group discussions to refine their artistic concepts. This workshop is open to all skill levels.

WHAT TO BRING

- 1 Work gloves for manipulating wire- garden gloves could work, but need something to protect hands while working with the wire.
- 1 Tall kitchen gloves or lab gloves (to wear while working with paper pulp) If desired
- 1 Shoes that can get wet
- 1 Apron If desired
- 1-3 Quart size or slightly larger Tupperwares for mixing fibers with different pigments (Can make use of cleaned out yogurt containers etc).
- Scrap paper If desired
- Natural material or otherwise to use as inclusions (added to the top) of wet paper sheets. Ex: seeds, flowers, small leaves, cut up pieces of a letter. Lightweight materials are best) If desired
- Water color paint and brushes If desired

MATERIALS FEES | **\$60.00-\$110.00**

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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