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AVA Gallery & Art Center

Artist Books 101

In this 4-session workshop, participants will have an opportunity to develop a simple book project from concept to finished mock-up (or finished book if desired). In session one, we'll learn 3 simple book structures, discuss content ideas, methods of getting text on a page, and materials, among other things. At the end of this first session, you'll get an assignment to work on for the rest of the workshop (with lots of room for personal creativity). In session two, we'll discuss our books in progress, answer questions, and problem solve with demos as needed. In session three, presentations of final mock-ups and plans for next steps to complete the books. The last optional session will be a show and tell to share the books made. This workshop is intended to be an opportunity for those interested in artist books to learn some book forms, shape their ideas, and apply their own art mediums within a structured format and supportive community.

Materials list:

Accordions from single sheets (back to back):

- 25-30 sheets 8.5 x 11 cardstock paper, white (or nice drawing paper that folds well)

Around the Square:

- 4 sheets 12 x 12 drawing paper, white (or any close size and weight paper, or heavier textweight paper)

One-sheet French Doors:

- 4 sheets 12x18 drawing paper, white (or any close size and weight paper or textweight paper)

Tools:

Awl or piercing tool

Scissors

Ruler

Pencil

Glue stick

Cutting mat

X-acto knife

Bone folder (can get by without one, but highly recommend)

Scrap waste paper (to use for gluing)

Personal art supplies:

Almost any media is possible to use for your books. We will discuss what works well in books during class and figure out how to incorporate your preferred medium in your artist book. Photography, printmaking, textile, collage, painting, drawing, and mixed media, among others, are all possible choices to use.