



Ye Olde Quill Dancing

Instructor:

Master Quibble Quillworthy

Location:

Stratford-upon-Avon

Course Type:

Heritage Crafts

Cost:

£85.00

Learning Objectives

- Mastering the art of quill cutting and maintenance
- Learning the technique of ink blending for historical flair
- Understanding the historical context and significance of quill writing
- Practicing calligraphy with a flourish
- Performing quill choreography with a partner

Provided Materials

- Handcrafted goose quills
- Assorted ink pots
- Antique parchment sheets
- Calligraphy guides
- Quill care kit

Skills Developed

Calligraphy

Historical Writing Techniques

Creativity

Fine Motor Skills

Performance Art

Course Description

Step back into the Elizabethan era and discover the lost art of quill dancing! Led by the eccentric Master Quibble Quillworthy, this class will transport you to the age of Shakespeare, right in the heart of Stratford-upon-Avon. Learn to craft and care for your own goose quill, the original writing tool of scribes and playwrights. The session begins with a hands-on workshop where students will learn to cut and shape their quills, ensuring each is perfectly balanced for both writing and performing. You'll also delve into the enchanting world of ink making, blending colors to create authentic Elizabethan hues. Once your quill is prepped, let the ink flow as you explore the fundamentals of calligraphy. Master Quibble will guide you through creating ornate letters and flourishes, sharing historical anecdotes along the way. The whimsical highlight of the class is the Quill Dance, a lively performance art where students, quills in hand, partner up to choreograph synchronized movements reminiscent of courtly dances, each step echoing the grace of the written word. By the end of this delightful class, you will not only wield a quill with elegance but also have the knowledge to infuse your everyday writing with historical charm. This enchanting journey into the past will surely quill your thirst for heritage crafts!

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