



# MANIFEST DRAWING CENTER

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### From Rocking To Rolling: An Introduction To Mezzotint

**Instructor:** Art Werger

**Dates:** June, 26th - 28th, 2026

#### Course Description

This workshop introduces intaglio printmaking through mezzotint, a centuries-old process known for its rich, velvety tonal range—unlike any other black-and-white medium. Currently experiencing a renewed interest among contemporary printmakers, mezzotint offers a direct and highly tactile approach to image-making. Participants will work through the full process, from preparing and rocking the copper plate to inking and printing. As a non-acid method of intaglio, mezzotint provides a safer alternative to traditional etching while maintaining a high level of technical and visual sophistication.

The workshop will cover core techniques, including plate preparation, rocking, scraping, burnishing, and the use of roulettes, along with printing procedures and ink handling. Emphasis will be placed on value, tonal structure, and the development of imagery through light and dark. Open to both beginners and more experienced artists, this workshop is ideal for those interested in expanding their understanding of printmaking through a focused, process-driven approach. Participants are encouraged to bring drawings, sketches, photographs, or other source material to work from.

#### Materials List:

2x Sheets Somerset White Paper  
Xacto knife

#### Cincinnati Art Stores

##### Suder's Art Store

1309 Vine St, Cincinnati, OH 45202  
(513) 241-0800

##### Plaza Art - Clifton

230 W. McMillan Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45219  
513-861-0667

##### Plaza Art - Kenwood

8118 Montgomery Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45236

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