

Hold the Moment

27th / 28th June STILL a couple of places

The second in a series of workshops exploring paper, foraged fibre, memory and place with Georgia Crook at West Moss-side. To book contact Kate Sankey kate@westmosside.com

Using foraged fibres to make ‘paper’ sheets in order to create 3D vessels. A truly inspirational and exploratory workshop with Georgia Crook at West Moss-side Organic Farm. Working with the colours and textures of the landscape you will create a unique piece. Georgia will take you through the techniques of preparing pulp, paper making, moulding, layering, weaving

Participants are welcome to attend only one day of the weekend, but to attend Day 2 you must have attended an Introduction Day 1 previously. Please bring any paper you have made and material for inclusion in the vessel – something special perhaps – or find something from West Moss-side for your memory of place.

Cost £95.00 per day including all materials. Refreshments and home baking provided. Bring a potluck lunch to share.

Day 1: 10.00am – 4.30pm

Introduction to making paper from foraged fibres such as rush, bracken, moss, willow bark and even peat. Collect samples of materials at West Moss-side, likely to be suitable for papermaking.

- Collect items to be used as inclusions in the paper or in the vessels you will make.
- Introduction and discussion about wet pulps and dry resources available for use in the workshop.
- Demonstration of how to prepare and cook plant material in preparation for paper making.
- Use a broad variety of pre-processed plant material both foraged and commercial – to use as the base of the pulp for paper sheets.

Potluck Lunch

- Discuss and plan paper making in view of potential vessel forms to be made on Day 2.
- Experimenting with forming pulps into sheets for Day 2.

Day 2: 10.00am – 4.30pm

An exploration of some simple methods of creating vessels from sheet form paper and foraged plant material

- Review drying sheets, colour, rates of shrinkage, fragility etc.
- Make a small simple mould and apply a sheet.

Potluck Lunch

- Experiment with making larger /more complex forms which can be taken home to dry.