

North Yorkshire West Federation

2020 Federation Visit to Denman



Tuesday 5th May – Friday 8th May 2020

Many of you now treat the college as a second home and look forward to your next visit. For those who haven't been before this is an opportunity to go with friends, so why not join us all for a Spring Break to Denman, near Abingdon in Oxfordshire in the lovely month of May!

Enjoy luxury coach travel from a pick up point near your home, with a stop on the journey, arriving at the college at approximately 3.30-4.00pm in time for tea and cake.

Rooms at Denman are excellent, single, double and triple, all en-suite, some on the ground floor and two rooms are specially designed for the disabled and their helpers.

You will be well fed and looked after and the courses and tutors are of a very high standard. There is a bar, shop, and lovely walks in the grounds to enjoy.

Usually a Federation Visit includes many members who have already been because they know just how good the Denman experience is. So if you haven't been before or you are on your own, join the rest of us, make friends, have a relaxing few days, whilst learning something new.

APPLICATION FORMS

Every applicant **MUST** complete an individual Application Form, which should be returned before 30th August 2019 enclosing a deposit of £100 but would advise booking as soon after 1st May as possible to secure a place. (Please photocopy, or order extra copies from Alma House.)

Cheques should be made payable to NYWFWI with the members name and WI on the reverse, and an **A5 ADDRESSED ENVELOPE with appropriate postage** should be included for the return of information in March 2020. (Please note you must have an A5 or A4. Small ones are no good and will delay you receiving your information. There is a considerable amount of information that will be sent to you).

Please send to :-

**Denman visit
NYWFWI Office
Alma House
Low St Agnesgate,
Ripon
HG4 1NG.**

Confirmation of places will be sent out in the September Mailing to WIs

For more information please contact either Judith Stansfield (Denman Ambassador) or Michelle at the Federation Office on 01765 606339

INSURANCE AND CANCELLATION

We will **NOT** be organising insurance in case of cancellation, so please do ensure that you have adequate insurance, as once you have booked your place you will be liable for the cost if you cancel at a later date. **The Federation is not responsible for finding another member to take your place if you are unable to attend.**

THE FEDERATION CANNOT ACCEPT ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT INSURED.

This year Federation Bursaries and discounts are being used to substantially reduce the cost to members.

A **non-refundable** deposit of **£100** is required on booking.

Final balance must be paid by **2nd February 2020**. (If you wish to pay this in instalments you can but the balance has to be paid by the **2nd February 2020**)

We have booked the whole college which will take 72 students, and all courses have a limited number. We expect a good demand for places so do book early to avoid disappointment.

Family, friends and partners are welcome to join us and may apply from **1st Sept 2019 at an additional cost of £60 per person**. A non-refundable deposit of **£100** will be payable when booking, and the balance should be paid by **2nd February 2020**.

TRANSPORT

If you choose to travel on your own, by train or car, we **cannot** give a reduction in price.

Courses

Marquetry

Tutor: Quentin Smith

Students will make an attractive marquetry picture by hand-cutting real wood veneers using the "Window" method. Some slightly more advanced techniques, such as adding fine lines or enhancing the picture using heat-shading will be covered. Most students should be able to complete the picture, including gluing to a backing-board, sanding and polishing. There will also be an opportunity to make some simple items of marquetry-decorated jewellery.

Cost £505.00

Material costs – approx. £12 to £15/£20



Glass Clay Modelling

Tutor: Shirley Eccles

Have you ever heard of Glass Clay? This is a new technique in glass fusing that offers you the opportunity to model and sculpt in glass. Learn how to make your own glass clay and create intricate shapes and patterns.

We will look at a variety of making processes and design ideas. Glass clay can be press moulded, rolled and cut to create interesting designs and components. The glass clay can be incorporated into larger glass piece or can be used to make jewellery, beads or cabochons.

You can transfer your cake decorating skills into glass as there are some similarities in the making process.

This is an ideal opportunity to experiment with something totally new!

£505.00

plus materials

The Treasures of Oxford

Tutor: Anna Steven

Oxford reveals its many glorious art treasures in this course with visits to Burne-Jones chapel at Harris Manchester College, Highlights of the Ashmolean, Christchurch picture Gallery, and the Pre-Raphaelite murals at Students Union. We take a birds' eye view of the University from the cupola of the Sheldonian Theatre and visit the Divinity School and Schools Quad. Lunch in Jesus College, the Western Treasures exhibition, followed by a stroll round New College gardens.

NB: all venues are dependent on availability in a busy working University

Cost £590.00

(You may be required to purchase your lunches on days out)



Ramble in the Cotswolds

Tutor: John Harris & Christine Booth



We enjoy two contrasting walks in the Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Beauty along the valleys of the river Cherwell and the upper Windrush. There will be ample opportunity to learn more about the geology, scenery and natural history and to explore beautiful stone villages and pause for refreshment in quiet country pubs. The walking is relatively straightforward but with the occasional stile and incline, so a reasonable level of fitness is required to cover the distances specified.

There will be an evening illustrated talk to highlight some of the key features of each walk. Maps and a brochure will be provided. On the final morning there will be a short local walk to explore the village of Marcham and the surrounding countryside.

Cost £575.00

"The Cotswolds, Beauty in a Limestone Landscapes

Tutor: Peter Lawrence

This course aims to highlight the beautiful architectural settings of Cotswold market towns and villages. From medieval times this part of England has enjoyed a prosperous history, mainly through the wool trade and the buoyant markets enjoyed on the mainland of Europe.

The abundance of the local honey coloured limestone meant the wealth gained from the wool trade has been translated into charming houses, civic buildings and grand churches, all set in a softly undulating landscape.

Being easily accessible from Denman, the first full day of this course will consist of a circular tour of the Cotswolds, stopping off to explore, picnic and admire some of the best examples that this area has to offer.

The second day will be set aside to explore two of the Cotswolds finest National Trust country houses. Back at Denman, illustrated talks and a DVD will complete a course full of visually charming architectural and social history.

Please be mindful that this course involves some walking and exploring therefore be prepared for our British weather!

Cost £575.00

(You may be required to purchase your lunches on days out)



Creative Writing

Tutor: Chrissie Hall

Creative writing is therapeutic, relaxing and good for us. It enhances our well-being and boosts self-confidence. On this course we'll begin by exploring gentle routes into creative writing using music, location, colours, essential oils and the seasons. We'll move on to look at a variety of writing genres to help you identify which could be your creative writing 'home'. You might begin journaling, or writing short stories, or enjoy writing from personal experience and begin a memoir, you might become a diarist, a novelist, a playwright or explore your poetic self.

Having discovered what type of creative writing best suits your personality, interests, lifestyle and skills then we'll begin writing and see how your writerly talents blossom when they are nurtured within a small like-minded group with an experienced tutor. We will enjoy interesting taught classroom sessions, programmed one to one tutorials, and personal writing time.

Whether you've never written anything but shopping lists, or whether you've been a secret scribbler for years, come and experience the gentle joys of creative expressive writing and find your own unique inner creative voice on this relaxed and friendly course which is suitable for all ages and abilities, including those with no experience of writing.

Cost £505.00

