**INTRO TO JEWELRY MAKING AND METALSMITHING**

**Instructor**

Taylor Martin

[Meet Your Instructor](https://oklahomacontemporary.org/learn/studio-school/current-studio-school-instructors/taylor-martin)

**Start Date | Rain Date**

Eight-week class begins Tuesday, September 27, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

In case of instructor illness or weather, the rain date is November 22.

**Location**

Studios Building | Flex Studio | 2 NW 11th St. Oklahoma City,  OK, 73102

**Open Studio Sessions**

Check availability on the [Student Portal](https://oklahomacontemporary.org/learn/studio-school/studio-school-student-portal)

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Learn basic metalsmithing techniques to create your own unique jewelry objects. The course will include the demonstration of foundational techniques such as texturing metals, sawing, finishing work, ring sizing and stone setting. Students will learn skills in design, technique and craftsmanship as they complete several one-of-a-kind jewelry pieces. You will also use torches as a tool to solder. Students will learn in class how to select and where to purchase their own stones. Students will have the opportunity to work on assigned projects independently in the studio between class meetings.

**COURSE OUTLINE**

Week 1: Source inspiration, sketch ideas, and become familiar with tools/metals. Utilize techniques demonstrated like stamping, forming and sawing.

Week 2: Rings and Intro to Soldering

Week 3: Rings Continued

Week 4: Wrist Cuffs and Intro to Flex Shaft Week

5: Wrist Cuffs Continued Week

6: Pendants Week

7: Pendants Continued Week

8: Finish pieces/Instructor reviews/Peer Support

**REQUIRED MATERIALS**

● Container or toolbox for transporting supplies

● A box of small Ziploc plastic bags to store metal/small findings

● Sketchbook and pencil for note taking and design ideas

● Sandpaper (range of grits) from hardware store

● Steel Wool (0000 grade) from hardware store

● Small glass or ceramic bowl

● Small Mason jar with lid   
  
\*\*\*Available from riogrande.com (estimated cost of $72):

● Original Laser Blades #2 Saw Blades ($4.31) Item #: 110209

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● 3"x3" Silver Sheet 20 gauge (~$43) Item #: 100596

● Plain Silver Bezel 26 gauge - 4 inches ($1.27) Item #: 101003

● Silver Wire 10 gauge - 7 inches ($9) Item #: 100310

● Silver Wire 14 gauge - 1 foot ($5.91) Item #: 100314

● Easy Solder 1 foot ($1.43) Item #: 101100

● Medium Solder 1 foot ($1.45) Item #: 101703

● Hard Solder 1 foot ($1.47) Item #: 101704

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**RECOMMENDED RESOURCES**

● The Complete Metalsmith, revised edition by Tim McCreight, Davis Publications, Inc.