

IN PERSON CLASS SIGN UP begins Saturday, December 20th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

NO PHONE SIGN UP ON SATURDAY, December 20th

The phone system is not able to handle the number of calls.

Saturday is IN PERSON ONLY SIGN UP!!!

FiftyForward is closed from 12/21 through 12/28. It reopens on 12/28

Starting on Monday, December 29th, you can sign up for any class by calling Fifty Forward at (615) 883-8375. They will take your name and can accept credit and debit cards over the phone.

You can also pay in person at the center.

Classes fill up quickly, so call soon to reserve your place in class.

Classes may have risk. Therefore a student MUST have the mental, physical & eyesight skills to Be Safe In Class. The Instructor will approve your participation during the first class.

NOTE: if you are member of FiftyForward, center fees are 50% of the non-member fees

2026 Winter MTGMS Class Schedule

Mid-Tennessee Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.

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DONELSON - Fifty Forward Senior Citizens Center

Title of Course	Experience Level	1st Class	Day of Week	Start Time	Max No. in Class	No. of Classes	Center Fee			Call	615-883-8375	MASTER SCHEDULE	
							Hours/Class	Member Fee*	Non-Mem Fee*				
								Maint Fee	Kit Fee	Class Room	Instructor(s)		
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/1	Thu	6:30 PM	10	11	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Lapidary Room	Steve Kanies/ Mark Leftwich
Tiffany Stained Glass Lab	Intermed-Adv	1/5	Mon	12:30 PM	8	4	3	\$25	\$45	\$55		Art Room	Debbie West
The Art of Silver Smithing	All	1/5	Mon	2:30 PM	8	6	2	\$40	\$70	\$40	\$10	Silver Room	Jennifer Murray
Tiffany Stained Glass Lab	Intermed-Adv	1/5	Mon	5:30 PM	8	4	3	\$25	\$45	\$55		Art Room	Debbie West
The Art of Silver Smithing	All	1/5	Mon	5:30 PM	8	6	2	\$40	\$70	\$40	\$10	Silver Room	Jennifer Murray
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/5	Mon	6:30 PM	10	11	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Lapidary Room	John Martin
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/6	Tue	3:00 PM	10	11	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Lapidary Room	Michelle McIntyre
Silver Jewelry Lab	Intermed-Adv	1/6	Tue	6:00 PM	8	6	3	\$40	\$70	\$45		Silver Room	Teresa Estes
Silver Fabrication:Basics & Beyond	All	1/7	Wed	1:00 PM	8	4	3	\$40	\$70	\$40		Silver Room	Melinda Pate/ Hugh Bennett
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/7	Wed	6:30 PM	10	11	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Lapidary Room	Bill Painton/ Chrystie Stachura
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/8	Thu	10:00 AM	10	11	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Lapidary Room	Jim Paris
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/8	Thu	1:00 PM	10	11	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Lapidary Room	Jim Paris/Allison Hodde
Faceting	All	1/8	Thu	3:00 PM	5	12	2	\$40	\$70	\$40		Art Room	Burnell Thibodeaux
Lapidary/Stone Polishing	All	1/9	Fri	9:00 AM	10	11	3	\$40	\$70	\$50		Lapidary Room	Gina Simpson
Metal	Beginner	1/9	Fri	10:00 AM	6	3	4	\$15	\$25	\$20	\$35	Silver Room	Debbie West
Flame Painting/Embossing	All	1/10	Sat	10:00 AM	4	1	5	\$20	\$35	\$15	\$30	Silver Room	Rita Heffner/Allison Hodde
Metal Smith Lab	All	1/11	Sun	10:00 AM	6	1	6	\$15	\$30	\$15		Silver Room	Debbie West/Jennifer Murray
Pearl Knotting	All	1/17	Sat	9:00 AM	12	1	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$85	Art Room	Warren Feld
Intro to Even Count, Flat Peyote/	All	1/17	Sat	1:00 PM	12	1	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$115	Art Room	Warren Feld
Creating a Cabochon Pendant	All	1/18	Sun	10:00 AM	8	2	6	\$20	\$45	\$20	\$40	Silver Room	Cameron Dean/Teresa Estes
Jewelry	Beginner	1/23	Fri	5:30 PM	8	2	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$20	Art Room	Jamie Zimish
Sinking a Vessel	Intermed-Adv	1/28	Wed	5:00 PM	4	3	4	\$15	\$25	\$20	\$40	Silver Room	Leah Cothner/Debbie West
Silver Jewelry	All	1/31	Sat	8:00 AM	7	2	6	\$40	\$70	\$40		Silver Room	Eileen Smiley
Tiffany Stained Glass	All	2/2	Mon	12:30 PM	8	4	3	\$25	\$45	\$55		Art Room	Debbie West
Tiffany Stained Glass	All	2/2	Mon	5:30 PM	8	4	3	\$25	\$45	\$55		Art Room	Debbie West
Beginner's Leather Carving/Stamping	Beginner	2/6	Fri	5:30 PM	6	4	3	\$15	\$25	\$10	\$40	Silver Room	Jamie Zimish
Metal Smith Lab	All	2/8	Sun	10:00 AM	6	1	6	\$15	\$30	\$15		Silver Room	Debbie West/Jennifer Murray
Keum Boo Foil	All	2/11	Wed	10:00 AM	6	1	3	\$15	\$25	\$10	\$45	Silver Room	Melinda Pate/ Mona Collins
WireWeaveIntro/ MayanPendant	All	2/14	Sat	9:00 AM	12	1	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$90	Art Room	Warren Feld
Flame Painting/Embossing	All	2/14	Sat	10:00 AM	4	1	5	\$20	\$35	\$15	\$30	Silver Room	Rita Heffner/Allison Hodde
IntroWireWrap/ MixMatch Bracelet	All	2/14	Sat	1:00 PM	12	1	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$115	Art Room	Warren Feld
Silver Jewelry Lab	Intermed-Adv	2/17	Tue	6:00 PM	8	6	3	\$40	\$70	\$45		Silver Room	Teresa Estes
Silver Fabrication:Basics & Beyond	All	2/18	Wed	1:00 PM	8	4	3	\$40	\$70	\$40		Silver Room	Melinda Pate/ Hugh Bennett
Raising a Vessel	Intermed-Adv	2/18	Wed	5:00 PM	4	3	4	\$15	\$25	\$20	\$20	Silver Room	Leah Cothner/Debbie West
Silver Jewelry	All	2/21	Sat	8:00 AM	7	2	6	\$40	\$70	\$40		Silver Room	Eileen Smiley

Crushed Glass & Resin	All	2/21	Sat	10:00 AM	10	1	4	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$60	Art Room	Jamie Zimish
Scrap	Intermed-Adv	2/22	Sun	10:00 AM	8	1	6	\$15	\$30	\$10	\$10	Silver Room	Cameron Dean
Tiffany Stained Glass Lab	Intermed-Adv	3/2	Mon	12:30 PM	8	4	3	\$25	\$45	\$55		Art Room	Debbie West
Tiffany Stained Glass Lab	Intermed-Adv	3/2	Mon	5:30 PM	8	4	3	\$25	\$45	\$55		Art Room	Debbie West
Silver Jewelry	All	3/7	Sat	8:00 AM	7	2	6	\$40	\$70	\$40		Silver Room	Eileen Smiley
Metal Smith Lab	All	3/8	Sun	10:00 AM	6	1	6	\$15	\$30	\$15		Silver Room	Debbie West/Jennifer Murray
The Art of Riveting: Heat-free Metalsmithing	All	3/9	Mon	4:00 PM	6	4	3	\$15	\$25	\$20	\$50	Silver Room	Jennifer Murray/Christina Lagerson
WireWrapCabachonPendant	All	3/14	Sat	9:00 AM	12	1	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$75	Art Room	Warren Feld
WireWeave2/ Sun Pendant	All	3/14	Sat	1:00 PM	12	1	3	\$10	\$15	\$10	\$130	Art Room	Warren Feld
Silver Jewelry	All	3/21	Sat	8:00 AM	7	2	6	\$40	\$70	\$40		Silver Room	Eileen Smiley

THIS IS A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

NOTE: Classes are subject to CHANGE - Any changes will be posted on SIGN UP DAY

SEE BELOW for how to read this schedule.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS are available on line at:

www.mtgms.org/schools.htm

Click on the 2026 Winter Description link

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NOTE: if you are member of the Fifty Forward Center, class fees are discounted.

Silver Jewelry: There can be additional cost for supplies for this class. It varies by the amount of silver you purchase. On average it would be \$20 and up.

Lapidary: Additional slabs and rocks are available for purchase in class.

Basic Torch Enameling: Reduced kit fee for returning students.

Experience Level - **BEGINNERS** – means no experience necessary
INTERMEDIATE – means you must be have all the basic skills plus a little more
ADVANCED – means your skill level is ahead and you are ready to push yours skills to new levels
ALL means anyone of any level can take the class
NOTE: All Fees are a one time charge for the full length of the class.

Below is an **EXAMPLE** of the schedule and how to read it.

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Chain Maille	All	1/6	Wed	10:00 AM	8	9	2	\$10	\$20	\$5	\$30	Silver Room	Edna Dougherty

How to read this schedule: Example: Chain Maille- All (all levels of student excepted)

Class starts 01/06, a Wednesday. It starts at 10:00 PM. 8 students are allowed in this class. It is an 9 week class, for 2 hours every Wed, at the same time.

If you are a member of FiftyForward, the class fee is \$10, if you are a non-member class fee is \$20.

There is a \$5 maintenance fee and a required kit fee of \$30, both are payable to the instructor when you show up at the beginning of the class. (cash or check only)

The total cost for a Center member is \$45 (\$10 class fee + \$5 maintenance + \$30 kit fee = \$45)

The total cost for a non-Center member is \$55 (\$20 class fee + \$5 maintenance + \$30 kit fee = \$55)

Note: A Kit is a set of required tools/material provided by the instructor that is needed to participate in the class

Some classes do not have a set "kit" fee. These classes do have a material costs, that cost will depend on how much you wish to spend.

Most of our classes are 6, 8 or 12 weeks in length. (Lapidary is 12, 2 hours classes or 24 hours of instruction) One/two/three day classes are special event classes.

Additional classes may be added to the Schedule during the quarter!!!!

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