



Portraits in Charcoal

with Oriane Pierrepoint

Saturday 10th May 2025

10am – 4pm



Charcoal is the 'go to' medium for portrait drawing; it's wonderfully expressive, forgiving in nature and shares similarities to paint. This full day workshop will demonstrate how to handle charcoal effectively and make it a valuable tool for creating powerfully tonal drawings, as well as learning some foundational drawing skills along the way. We'll be working from photographic reference, which will be provided for attendees. All basic drawing materials and paper will be provided, although please bring along your own materials if you wish!

Suggested materials list:

- Soft willow charcoal of varying sizes (any brand will do)
- Putty rubber
- Compressed charcoal pencils (I personally use pencils from the general pencil company: <https://www.jacksonsart.com/general-pencil-company-charcoal-wrap-pencil-4b-soft-peel-and-sketch>)
- Heavy weight cartridge paper A3 or bigger!
- A sanding paddle
- Pencil eraser
- Tortillions of varying sizes