

Sacred Art Workshop

the way of Beauty illuminating Truth

The MOTHER of SORROWS



**SPONSORED BY THE
RELIGIOUS SISTERS OF MERCY OF ALMA**

**Location: OUR LADY OF GRACE CENTER
1965 Michigan Avenue, Alma MI**

**Workshop Schedule: Monday, Nov. 17th
through Saturday, Nov. 23rd, 2019
9 AM-5 PM Daily**

Open studio some evenings

**Register
Today!**

SPACE IS LIMITED

**LEARN TECHNIQUES OF TEMPERA PAINTING AND GILDING
FOR THE ANCIENT ART OF ILLUMINATION**

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The Mother of Sorrows, became an extremely popular devotion in the Middle ages, and the image was always incorporated into the Book of Hours. The image varied from region to region, often incorporating numerous iconic devices to illustrate her various aspects. In this miniature, the Mother of Sorrows is presented as "The New Eve", sitting in a garden, holding a prayer book and facing away from the apple on a branch; while, behind her is the Cross on Mount Calvary which is *The Tree of Life*. From the Tree of Life, issues the *Life Giving Water*, which is symbolized by the pond in the background. Just as the pond reflects the beautiful sky above, Mary reflects Christ for us here below as she ponders all these things in her heart.

Techniques covered in the workshop:

In this work shop we will cover a wide variety of techniques used by the medieval illuminators and book painters.

Gilding: -Raised & burnished gold, and making 23kt liquid gold.

Grinding Pigments: How to prepare a binder and grind the pigments with the binder to make a Tempera, the paint of the monks and illuminators.

Painting Techniques: Color mixing and a wide variety of the medieval illuminator's rendering techniques such as raising the garments to build shape & form, glazing techniques for the hands and face, capturing reflections in water and suggestive brush techniques for painting flora in an atmospheric landscape. Come craft a beautiful, sparkling illumination with suitable for framing.

While some experience is always helpful it is not always necessary.

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The Religious Sisters of Mercy
of Alma, Michigan



The Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma invite you to attend this special, week-long, Sacred Art Workshop. It's special because our workshop is designed to raise awareness of the need for beauty through art and its power to evangelize set within the prayerful, peaceful setting of a thriving, religious community. It's Sacred Art in a Sacred Place. The Sisters also welcome you to participate if you choose to do so, in their daily cycle of prayers which includes the chanting of the Divine Office and morning Mass; then to close out the day of work, a Holy Hour of Adoration in which Evening Prayer and the Rosary are recited. You can discover more the about the Sisters at www.rsmofalma.org

Simple meals and lodging are provided. You'll like the Sister's wonderful hospitality. The workshop is held in the spacious Our Lady of Grace Center located near the Sister's Motherhouse in Alma MI. Traveling participants are expected to arrive on Sunday November 16th.

Directions: If coming northbound on I-127: take Exit 123. Go straight through the 4-way stop. After about a mile, turn right on Jerome St. Take it about a mile to the end. Turn left onto Michigan Avenue. Go about 1/4 mile. Our Lady of Grace will be on the right.

If coming southbound on I-127: take the second Alma exit (Eastbound route 46), which is immediately after the first Alma exit (Westbound 46). Turn right (onto SR-46) and go about 1/2 mile to Begole St. Turn right onto Begole St., which will become (Bridge St.), and take it about 1-1/2 miles to Michigan Ave. Turn left (onto Michigan Ave). Go about a mile. Our Lady of Grace Center will be on the left.

For more information or to register: Contact:
Sr. Miriam MacLean RSM 337-348-1888

At this time the only payment required is a deposit of (\$100.00), applicable to the fee of which the remainder is due in full at the time of registration. Just clip out the form and send your check or money order payable to;

The Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma
1965 Michigan Avenue
Alma, MI 48801

Sacred Art Workshop REGISTRATION

Name (please print)

Address

E-mail

Phone

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Saturday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Fees

- \$100.00 Workshop Deposit required and is applied to the fee.
- \$600.00 Total including 6 days of Lodging & Meals
- \$400.00 Commuter rate