



interested in developing the philosophical, technical, and skill basics for a particular media, including the operation and maintenance of equipment used in the media; *Intermediate* for students who are interested in developing and applying the skills necessary to producing a quality product; and *Advanced* for students who are ready to work in the formation and creation of product design.

- Ancillary and foundational skills used in the creation of craft - drawing, painting, design, and maintenance of production quality.
- Marketing of craft.
- Business management of the small craft business.

**Faculty:**

- Local practicing artisans who have college level degrees in their craft and/or have been recognized as a master craftsperson in their field.
- Nationally known instructors who have been recognized for their work in design and the advancement of contemporary craft.
- Marketing and small business instructors who both understand and can relate to the needs of the practicing artisan and the mentality of the creative artisan.

**Partners:**

- **The Arkansas Craft School** is the educational arm of the Arkansas Craft Guild which has provided the School with a long history of quality craft production in the state.
- **Ozarka College** provides accreditation for continuing education and guidance in curriculum design. The College offers an Associate of Arts and a Certificate of Proficiency in Entrepreneurship for Artisans. Craft School courses may be used in the folio requirement of the two programs.
- **Ozark Folk Center** in Mountain View provides teaching studio space, student lodging, and food services.

## VALUES AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

We believe that **art is the soul and spirit of culture**.

We believe that a successful school is a **supportive community**.

We believe that a primary purpose of our work is to develop **self-reliance among our students**.

We believe that the life and success of the Arkansas Craft School depends on **ethical behavior and integrity**.

We believe that the focus of the Arkansas Craft School is first and foremost **our students and program participants**.

We believe that the bedrock of our success is our **faculty and volunteers**.

We believe that **teamwork and trust** among all participants in the leadership of the School is essential.

We believe that our **donors should feel a personal ownership** of the School.

We believe that the Arkansas Craft School should encourage **quality innovation**.

We believe that **collaboration** is essential to the task of preserving and promoting art and craft in Arkansas.

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