

Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association Class Announcement

Viksdal Bentwood Box with Cathy Castellanos

The Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association is excited to announce that Cathy Castellanos will be teaching a Viksdal class via Zoom this coming September. The class will be in two Zoom sessions: September 18th and 19th, 2024, 10am – 1:30pm (half hour open for lunch) This is a total of 6 hours of class time. All sessions are listed in Central time.

Viksdal is a little-known style of rosemaling only 3½ hours northeast of Bergen, Norway, in the Viksdalen area. In this class you will paint an original design of Viksdal that incorporates several historical symbols along with historical shapes and brush strokes. Typical Viksdal brush strokes include: C and S strokes, short and elongated teardrops (single and in clusters) and plenty of linework. Symbols incorporated in this design are: Six Blade Cross, Cross Hatching (Webbing), Twisted Tongues (Waxing and Waning Moons) and Maria's flower.



This class is for Advanced Beginner to Advanced level students. Students will need to know their strokes and independently prepare their woodenware prior to class. Cathy will be teaching the class in oils. Acrylic painters are welcome in this class. The design can be easily simplified by not painting additional parallel strokes and teardrop clusters can be reduced from 5 to 3. The design on the side of the box is great for an Advanced Beginner to be successful. A second design available for the side of the box is suitable for the Advanced Intermediate student. Both designs can be incorporated together on the box if desired since the designs are repeated 4 times.



Our project piece can be ordered from Mike Lusk at Luskscandiaww@yahoo.com. He has created a new large round bentwood box with a solid wood lid for this class. Please reference "Cathy Castellanos - Viksdal Round Box for INRA Class", \$50 plus \$12 for shipping. Mike will have 6 boxes ready for sale at Nordic Fest at

Vesterheim this July 27, 2024 for pickup. Call Mike, (608) 452-3472, in advance of Nordic Fest to reserve and order a box. Additional boxes can be ordered and mailed directly to students as well. Orders should be placed before July 26 to guarantee delivery for prepping your box before class.

You also have the choice to paint your piece on any surface you want. Please have your project piece properly prepared for class. Students must sand, background and seal their painting surface and practice boards prior to class.

TEACHER BIOGRAPHY: Cathy grew up with beautiful Norwegian art and finally had the opportunity to take her first Rosemaling class in 2010. Her local rosemaling group offered workshops with several VGM's which increased her love and enthusiasm for Rosemaling. Cathy was introduced to Viksdalmaling in 2016 while on a Vesterheim Folk Art Tour to Norway visiting

Marit Eldal of Eldaltunet. She was immediately intrigued with Marit's designs and the symbolism of Viksdalmaling and returned to visit Marit again to paint with her in 2023. Cathy also painted Os Rosemaling style with Hjortis Juvik in Osteroy. Os rosemaling style is close to Cathy's heart since her family can be traced to a settlement called Havretunet in Osteroy. Cathy enjoys learning and sharing her art with others and has recently been accepted to be Vesterheim's Artist in Residence for 2024-2025. She hopes to further her love and knowledge of rosemaling thru research and become a better teacher.

RECAP OF CLASS DETAILS:

- Style: Viksdal
- Teacher's Name: Cathy Castellanos
- Project: 11" x 5" tall Round Large Tine newly designed by Mike Lusk
- Level: The INRA recommends this class for those at the advanced beginner level and up.
- Schedule: September 18th and 19th, 2024, 10am – 1:30pm (half hour open for lunch) All sessions are listed in Central time - 6 Class Hours.
- Venue: Zoom
- Medium: Oils, Independent acrylic painters welcome.
- Class Fee: \$55 member (NOTE: Pay dues for 2024 and/or 2025, add \$15 for each year)
\$70 nonmember (includes 2025 INRA membership cost of \$15)
- 6 students minimum, maximum 14, no refunds unless place is filled from a waiting list.
- Additional Costs: 11" x 5" tall Round Large Tine - \$50, plus shipping. Mike Lusk will have 6 boxes ready for sale at Nordic Fest at Vesterheim this July 27, 2024 for those who can pick up a box there. Call Mike Lusk, (608) 452-3472, in advance of Nordic Fest to reserve a box if this works for you. This box is not a catalog item. Please reference "Cathy Castellanos - Viksdal Round Box for INRA Class". Boxes can be ordered and mailed directly to students as well. Orders should be placed before July 26 to guarantee delivery to prepare your box before the class. Students will supply their own paints. Additional details will be provided on the supply list that will be sent with registration confirmation.

REGISTRATION PERIOD: Advanced registration is now open. Non-member registration begins 7/12. Registration ends when the class is full or September 1st, but be aware the cut off for on-time arrival of box orders is July 26. Please complete the registration form below.

SUPPLIES: A supply list will be included with your registration confirmation. Other materials and the Zoom link will be sent to registered students closer to the class start date.

NOTE: Each class will have a 6-student minimum and 14-student maximum, no refunds unless place is filled by another student from a waiting list. INRA classes are designed for real-time interaction in each class session and recordings are for those who plan to participate in the live classes. All students are reminded that class recordings and materials are for individual use only and are not to be shared.

QUESTIONS: Please contact Mari Smith at inrarosemaling@gmail.com for more information as needed.

INRA REGISTRATION FORM FOR EDUCATION CLASSES AND EVENTS

Your Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Please check all appropriate line(s): (Check payable to INRA)

____ \$ 55 Member (NOTE: Pay Dues for 2024 or 2025, add \$15 for each year)

____ \$ 70 Non-member (includes 2025 membership fee of \$15)

Your bentwood box/tine is to be ordered from Mike Lusk (See announcement description for details). Orders should be placed before July 26 to guarantee delivery for preparing your box before the class. Ordering information will also be in supply list sent with registration confirmation. Information given below is for teacher's awareness and planning purposes:

Student will be using ____ acrylics or ____ oils in class.

Note: Cathy will be teaching the class in oils, acrylic painters are welcome.

Student's self-reported painting experience level:

Advanced Beginner ____ Intermediate ____ or Advanced ____

Knowledge of terms, prep, strokes, and color mixing is needed. General backgrounding instruction is included in the pattern packet and is to be completed independently by the student prior to class.

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Please send registration form and check (payable to: INRA) before September 1st, to: Mari S. Smith, 3625 McCormick Ave, Brookfield, Illinois 60513. We are now accepting Venmo payment between friends. Please use the QR code on the right to access Venmo. Our username is inrosemailing. Send an image of your Venmo receipt and registration form to inrosemailing@gmail.com for registration processing. If assistance is needed, contact Mari Smith at inrosemailing@gmail.com for more information.

