

# **Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association Class Announcement**

## **Agder Double Recipe Box with Nancy Odalen**

The Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association is delighted to announce that Nancy Odalen, VGM (2022), will be teaching an in-person Agder class on October 3 & 4, 2026, at Good Templar Park in Geneva, Illinois. Agder is one of the styles painted in southern Norway and it influenced the Ryfylke painters. Odalen does not normally classify her designs by Aust-Adger or Vest-Adger, but pulls inspiration from the Vest-Adger older pieces. This class is for all rosemaling students, advanced beginner and up, who want to paint an Agder design and palette. Our project will be a double recipe box, available from Mike Lusk.



The class will have morning and afternoon sessions of three hours: Saturday, 10/3, 9AM - noon & 1 – 4PM, and Sunday, 10/4, 9AM - noon & 1 – 4PM, Central. There will be an hour set aside for lunch each day.

Students may order the double recipe box (approx. 5 1/2" high x 15" wide x 6 1/2" deep) from Mike Lusk by calling 608 452-3472, or emailing [Luskscandiaww@yahoo.com](mailto:Luskscandiaww@yahoo.com). The box will be \$28.00 plus shipping. When placing your order keep in mind creation and delivery timing.

Students will provide their own paints, brushes, and general art supplies. Backgrounding and additional details will be provided on the supply list that will be sent with registration confirmation. Nancy will supply line designs and a color picture for each student the first day of class. Students are welcome to paint on practice boards during the class.



**TEACHER STATEMENT:** In Nancy's own words, taken from her Vesterheim Gold Medal Portfolio Artist's Statement: "My journey in the study of rosemaling began with my first Vesterheim rosemaling class in 2001. I have taken classes from instructors that have given generously of their time and talents. Most notably, I worked with Andrea Herkert (Vesterheim Gold Medalist) in two apprenticeships through the Wisconsin Art Board, and during the 2020 shut down I had endless wonderful conversations with Karen Nelson (Vesterheim Gold Medalist) about rosemaling. I am humbled to have received a Gold Medal in 2022 after earning ribbons on five pieces, including one Best in Show in 2017. My journey continues as I learn from the old and create designs that come from my soul. It is my true joy to share my passion, enthusiasm, and knowledge of rosemaling with others."

**VENUE DETAILS:** Good Templar Park (<https://www.goodtemplarpark.org/>) is located at 528 East Side Dr, in Geneva, IL, between US 64 and US 38. We will be in the white building at the back of the park and there is a gravel parking lot just outside the building. There will be soccer games during the day but our class begins at 9AM so feel free to arrive any time after 8:30am. Use the center door for the classroom.

**LODGING and RESTAURANTS:** Lodging is available at several hotels within 10 minutes of the venue near the intersection of US64 and S Tyler Rd. While we may choose to order delivery for lunch there are many restaurant options in downtown Geneva and St. Charles for your dinner dining.



**SUPPLIES:** Please order the project piece described above to ensure your desired product arrival date. A supply list with palette colors and backgrounding instructions will be included with your registration confirmation. Line designs and a color picture will be given to each student the first day of class.

**REGISTRATION PERIOD:** Advanced registration starts today. Non-member registration begins on 8/21. Registration will end when the class is full but please be aware of order by dates for woodenware. See the registration form below for more details on registration.

**RECAP OF CLASS DETAILS:**

- Project: double recipe box (approx. 5 1/2" high x 15" wide x 6 1/2" deep)
- Style: Agder
- Teacher's Name: Nancy Odalen, VGM
- Level: All students with at least one previous rosemaling class are welcome. Students should be able to prep, background, and transfer the pattern to the surface they plan to use in class before the first day.
- Schedule: Saturday, 10/3, 9AM - noon & 1 – 4PM, and Sunday, 10/4, 9AM - noon & 1 – 4PM, Central. There will be an hour set aside for lunch each day.
- Medium: Nancy will be teaching the class in oils. Independent acrylic painters are welcome in class.
- Class Fee (includes pattern packet):
  - \$195/member (NOTE: 2026 DUES MUST BE PAID TO REGISTER, \$20, info available at <https://rosemaling.org/inra-membership/>)
  - \$215/nonmember (includes 2027 INRA membership cost of \$20)
- Additional Costs: Students will supply their own paints, brushes, general art supplies and painting surface. As described above the recipe box will be \$28.00 plus shipping. Supply details will be provided on the supply list that will be sent with registration confirmation. Line designs and a color picture will be given to each student the first day of class. Students are welcome to paint on practice boards if needed.
- There will be a 6-student minimum/14-student maximum, no refunds unless your place is filled by another student from a waiting list. INRA classes are designed for real-time interaction in each class session and no recordings are available for in-person classes. Lodging, meals, woodenware and painting supplies are covered by each student.

**QUESTIONS:** Please contact Mari Smith at [inrarosemaling@gmail.com](mailto: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)

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\_\_\_\_\_ \$215/nonmember (includes 2027 INRA membership cost of \$20)

Information given below is for teacher's awareness and planning purposes:

**Student will be using** \_\_\_\_\_ oils or \_\_\_\_\_ acrylics in class. Note: Nancy will be teaching the class in oils. Independent acrylic painters are welcome in class.

**Student's Self-reported painting experience:**

Advanced Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ or Advanced \_\_\_\_\_

**Class size:** 6 students minimum/11 student maximum, no refunds unless place is filled by another student from a waiting list or class minimum is not met.

We are now accepting Venmo payment between friends. Please use the QR code on the right to access Venmo. Our username is inrarosemaling. Send an image of your Venmo receipt and registration form to [inrarosemaling@gmail.com](mailto:inrarosemaling@gmail.com) for registration processing.

OR

Please send registration form and check (payable to: INRA) before September 28, to: Mari S. Smith, 3625 McCormick Ave, Brookfield, Illinois 60513.

If assistance is needed, contact Mari Smith at [inrarosemaling@gmail.com](mailto:inrarosemaling@gmail.com) for more information.



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