



Michigan Silversmiths Guild

Alternative Mold Making and Casting for the Jeweler and Metalsmith Instructor: Renee Zettle-Sterling

This workshop will acquaint participants with the fundamentals of working with simple mold making and casting materials. Casting can be an expensive technique and one that is not easily set-up after graduation, however this workshop will present students with alternative ways in which they can create objects of personal significance that require a minimal investment in equipment. The techniques introduced will provide participants with the basic knowledge needed to get started working with creating a two part mold and one part mold using polyurethane rubber and silicone mold putty, as well as working with mold material such as alginate and low melting wax. The casting materials introduced will be plastic and pulp.

Renee Zettle-Sterling is an artist and educator whose studio practice consists of exploring a multiplicity of media and techniques to create small-scale body oriented devices, jewelry, and large site-specific installation. Her work explores issues surrounding our relationship with everyday objects as catalysts for stimulating memory and informing identity. She has shown her work extensively nationally and internationally. Additionally, her work has been published in *Metalsmith* and *American Craft* magazines, as well many of the *500 Series* published by Lark Books. More about Renee can be found at: zettlesterling.com

One Day Workshop Schedule:

- 10-1 Introduction to techniques
- 1-2 Lunch
- 2-5 Workshop participants explore materials

Date: Sunday April 17th, 2011

Location: Fritz & Friends (Franklin, MI)

Time: 10am - 5pm

Cost: \$145 for members \$175 for non-members (materials included)

Further information will be sent via email if you do not have email please provide an address for maps and pertinent information.

Name:

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Would you like to be waitlisted if the workshop is full? YES or NO

Please send to Erica Bartels 3455 Three Mile Dr. Detroit MI 48224 or call with questions 313-319-2777