A 50% deposit is required to reserve your space (balance due by June 19, 2020). Send your check, payable to FOC, postmarked no earlier than May 1, 2020, to Meredith Klein, 707 Spokane Avenue, Albany, CA 94706. Please include your email address and phone number. Or enroll online on our FOC Classes web page at www.friendsofcalligraphy.org/pages/classes.html. Scroll to the Sketching in Letters, Lines and Images workshop and click on the Pay Now button. Enrollment is limited to 20 FOC members. No prior drawing experience? No problem! This class is meant for all levels. The main emphasis will be on experimenting with an informal approach to sketching/drawing, calligraphy and composition, using what we already know, and trying out a new approach to keeping a sketchbook. We may go outside for a foray in sketching and nature inspiration. In addition to bringing text to work with, students will be guided in creating their own text (haiku or “free association”).

I have spent the better part of the last ten years offering “On the Go Sketching & Calligraphy” classes both locally and abroad. The aim is to help calligraphers gain confidence in combining sketching/drawing with informal and formal calligraphy to create personal artist books. Inspired by UK Artist Karen Stamper’s unique approach, I will offer some of the simple collage, drawing and painting techniques she uses in her accordion books.

In this workshop the emphasis will be on integrating sketched, painted or collaged images with handwriting and lettering to create lively, beautiful and uniquely personal pages in an accordion book. Class exercises will include gesture and contour drawing, sketching basics, as well as simple acrylic, sumi ink, watercolor and collage techniques—all of which will be integrated into the book. A lettering component will include handwriting, as well as modifying (personalizing) a cursive italic to create a unique gestural script. No prior drawing experience? No problem! This class is meant for all levels. The main emphasis will be on experimenting with an informal approach to sketching/drawing, calligraphy and composition, using what we already know, and trying out a new approach to keeping a sketchbook. We may go outside for a foray in sketching and nature inspiration. In addition to bringing text to work with, students will be guided in creating their own text (haiku or “free association”).

“See the world, one sketch at a time!”

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