Course Title: Jewelry Making with Silver Metal Clay III

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Course Description:
Learn how to properly cure epoxy and how to add color. Instruction will include how to make a bezel out of paper type metal clay, and how to add stones. Ring making will include how to make the shanks, and make mandrels to your own specifications. $85 for supplies will be required at first session.

Course Prerequisite(s): Jewelry Making with Silver Metal Clay I

Outcomes:
1. Learn to make a mandrel
2. Learn to calculate measurements
3. Design a pendant, adding bezel
4. Create a pair of earrings

Lesson Plan – by week or session

Session 1:
Ring
Learn how to make a mandrel out of electrical tape and a pencil. This mandrel will be used to make the ring shank. Calculate the correct size of the ring to allow for shrinkage.

Session 2:
Bezel
Make a pendant to which we will add a bezel made out of paper type metal clay attached to lump clay. Learn how to make the bezel large enough to account for shrinkage during firing. Use a bezel pusher to properly set the stone.

Session 3:
Epoxy
Make a simple pair of earrings to which we will add colored epoxy. Learn how to tint epoxy, add it to the piece to create different effects and how to cure the epoxy.