

FUTURE MAKERS

DIGITAL DESIGN, MAKING & CONSTRUCTION

Do you want space to be creative and learn new skills?

Do you want to increase your confidence and become a Future Maker?

You may already have a creative practice that you want to develop or you might be a complete beginner, through this free course you will get the opportunity to work on a creative brief, develop digital design skills and receive support to take the next step into a digital design role or further training.

No experience is necessary, just a willingness to learn about...

- 2D or 3D design and how it is applied in industry
- How to use software to create your own designs
- How to use digital tools like a laser cutter or CNC machine
- How to get creative and make your own scale models and prototypes



You will get experience in...

- Working to a creative brief in product design or set design
- Writing your CV/portfolio and selling your ideas
- Working as part of a creative team of people

You will be able to access...

- Our virtual learning platform to develop your skills at home
- Hands-on creative workshops
- Support to help you take a next step in developing your skills after the course is over

How do I join?

We are running three courses at different times that run on different days of the week over a period of time, please see the course schedules found later in this document and find an option that works for you. You will also find links that will help you register for each course.

If you have any queries about how to apply or finding the right course for you, please email enquiries@kwmc.org.uk or call 0117 903 0444 and arrange a time for us to call you back.

Who is it for?

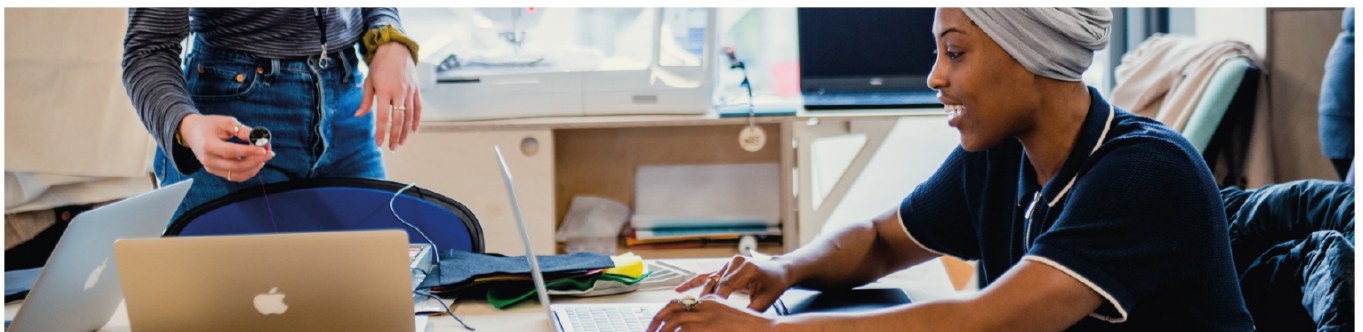
The course is **completely free**, although there are **a limited number of spaces available**.

To apply, you must be part of an underrepresented group in the digital design, fabric and construction industries and live in Bristol, South Gloucestershire, or Bath and North East Somerset. Underrepresented groups include but are not limited to:

- Women and gender minorities
- People from Black, Asian and minority ethnic groups

However, you can also apply if you live in South or East Bristol and fulfil one of the following criteria:

- You have been unemployed for a long period of time
- You are in precarious employment
- You have been disproportionately affected by COVID-19



Course Overview

The Future Makers courses are a mixture of in-person workshops at [KWMC The Factory](#) and self-led learning at home through our virtual learning platform. There are support slots with our technicians offered throughout the home-learning weeks if you get stuck with the software, or want some feedback on your creative ideas.

The first two courses are only distinguished by the day of the week they are held on (Thursday and Friday). The Retreat course is slightly different, starting with two longer in-person workshops, followed by a shorter period of home learning and then finishing with a 3-day 2-night residential retreat.

After registering for the course suitable for you (links found at the end of this document), we will send you a form so if you do not have access to a computer or laptop at home, please state it there and we will be able to provide an option to access computers at KWMC or The Factory during the week.

Course Schedule

Thursday Evening Course

| Date | Time | Workshop | Location |
|--------------------|---------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Thursday 15th Sept | 6 - 8pm | Introduction to the course + group design challenges! | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| Thursday 22nd Sept | 6 - 8pm | Creative briefs, portfolios + making activities | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| Thursday 29th Sept | 6 - 8pm | Introduction to software + equipment demos | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| Thursday 6th Oct | 6 - 8pm | Ideas development + making activity | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| w/c 10th Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |
| w/c 17th Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |



| Date | Time | Workshop | Location |
|-------------------|---------|--|--------------------------|
| w/c 24th Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |
| w/c 31st Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |
| Thursday 3rd Nov | 6 - 8pm | Portfolio + CV workshop | The Factory |
| w/c 7th Nov | | Finalising work for presenting / sharing | At home |
| w/c 14th Nov | | Finalising work for presenting / sharing | At home / The Factory |
| Thursday 24th Nov | 6 - 8pm | Celebration event + dinner | In-person at The Factory |
| w/c 28th Nov | TBC | Mock interviews | TBC |

Friday Morning Course

| Date | Time | Workshop | Location |
|------------------|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Friday 16th Sept | 10.30am - 1pm | Introduction to the course + group design challenges! | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| Friday 23rd Sept | 10.30am - 1pm | Creative briefs, portfolios + making activities | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| Friday 30th Sept | 10.30am - 1pm | Introduction to software + equipment demos | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| Friday 7th Oct | 10.30am - 1pm | Ideas development + making activity | In-person workshop at The Factory |
| w/c 10th Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |



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|-----------------|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| w/c 17th Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |
| w/c 24th Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |
| w/c 31st Oct | | Home learning + technician support slots available | At home |
| Friday 4th Nov | 10.30am - 1pm | Portfolio + CV workshop | The Factory |
| Friday 11th Nov | 10.30am - 1pm | Finalising work for presenting / sharing | At home |
| Friday 18th Nov | 10.30am - 1pm | Finalising work for presenting / sharing | At home / The Factory |
| Friday 25th Nov | 10.30am - 1pm | Celebration event + lunch | In-person at The Factory |
| w/c 28th Nov | TBC | Mock interviews | TBC |

Creative Retreat Course

| Date | Time | Workshop | Location |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Thursday 20th Oct | 10.30am - 3pm | KWMC retreat day 1 | KWMC |
| Friday 21st Oct | 10.30am - 3pm | KWMC retreat day 2 | The Factory |
| w/c 24th Oct | | Home learning + project development | At home / KWMC |
| Thursday 27th Oct | 6 - 8pm | Inspire evening + dinner | KWMC |



| Date | Time | Workshop | Location |
|-----------------|-------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| w/c 31st Oct | | Home learning + project development | At home |
| w/c 7th Nov | | Home learning + project development | At home |
| w/c 14th Nov | Exact dates / times TBC | 3-day-2-night residential retreat | Folly Farm |
| w/c 21st Nov | | Mock interviews | Phone calls / virtual 1-1 sessions |
| Time / date TBC | | Signposting / coaching support, next steps (factory membership, Eight Creative Agency, other progression routes) | The Factory |

How do I apply?

Navigate to the Eventbrite links below that correspond to each course, you will be able to register and will then receive an email with a more extensive application form. Please take the time to fill out this form before the date of the course.

[Register for the Thursday Evening Course](#)

[Register for the Friday Morning Course](#)

[Register for the Creative Retreat Course](#)

If you are unsure in anyway and would like to discuss it with a member of the team, please do not hesitate to contact enquiries@kwmc.org.uk or call 0117 903 044 and we will arrange a time to call you back.

Bursaries are available to support your attendance, these could be used to assist with access, travel or childcare costs.

The Future Makers programme is funded by the West of England Combined Authority as part of the wider Digital Skills Investment Fund – find out more about other training opportunities made possible by the fund [found here](#).

