INTRO TO BLACKSMITHING: FORGE YOUR OWN METALWORK

INSTRUCTOR: PAUL SPIRITO
3-HOUR ADULT BEGINNER CLASS

Discover the satisfaction of working with your hands to create something durable and lasting. This class is the ideal starting point for beginners, teaching the foundational skills of this ancient craft with guidance by an experienced instructor. In this course, you will:

- Learn forge safety and proper handling of tools and materials
- Practice core forging techniques including drawing out, twisting, tapering, hole punching
- Learn to manage the forge fire to properly heat steel
- Develop effective hammer control and a feel for the anvil
- Create and take home your own finished hand-forged project, such as decorative hook or bottle opener
- Limit: 4 students per session | Must be 18+ years of age
- Fee: \$95.00*

*Materials will be provided. Registrants are required to bring their own leather gloves. Glove specifications will be provided in registration confirmation emails. Leather safety apron and safety glasses are required and are available for an additional \$10 fee.

CHOOSE ONE SESSION:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025 OR OCTOBER 18, 2025 | 9 AM - NOON Email <u>paulspirito@gmail.com</u> to reserve your spot.



CLASSES WILL BE HELD RAIN OR SHINE AT THE GRISWOLD + ENSIGN BLACKSMITH SHOP LOCATED AT THE SIMSBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY 10 PHELPS LANE, SIMSBURY, CONN.