

Nicolette Harrison

Handwork & Woodwork

Teacher



Hello, my name is Nicolette Harrison and I am the Handwork and Woodwork teacher at the WISE. I teach Handwork to classes One through Nine and Woodwork to classes Five and up.

I have been a fine arts educator for over ten years at art centres and art festivals in both Calgary and Edmonton. In 2012, I received a Bachelor of Fine Arts, specializing in glass blowing, from the Alberta College of Art and Design, and in 2015 I obtained an after degree in Education from the University of Alberta. I have also attended the Summer Festival and Teacher Training at the Rudolf Steiner Centre in Toronto to deepen my understanding of Waldorf education and practical arts training program at the Highland Hall Waldorf School.

I have a love of nature and working with my hands that began at a young age when I would collect clay from the ground to make puppets, and bark and sap from the trees to make doll houses. As an adult, I became enamoured with glass, clay, metal, felt, and wood. I am passionate about using materials that come from the earth to create beautiful works of art, or functional objects that are delightful to use. This is why I am very pleased to be a part of the Edmonton Waldorf community where I always look forward to my days filled with the creativity, imagination, and amazing skills I see building in my students.

During the years that I have been with the WISE as the Handwork and Woodwork teacher, I have also taught art classes to students, painting and felting to adults in the community and the jewelry elective for the middle school. Being a teacher is what brought me into the WISE but the community of students and their families is what keeps me loving Waldorf. There is so much for us all to learn from each other and I learn a lot from my students everyday because teaching at the WISE is a gift that gives back tenfold.