



## Maker Studios | Punch Card

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### Maker Studio Hours

The studios are open Wed. & Thurs., 9 am – 8 pm, Fri. & Sat. 9 am – 12:30 pm, and closed Sun., Mon., & Tues.

We close for threatening weather and major holidays (4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Weekend) & the week between Christmas and New Year. Check social for updates.

### How Maker Studio Rentals Work

CAC hosts a fully equipped clay studio, a community lounge, dance/movement & performance space, space for 2-D arts. We also have plans for stained / fusion glass and digital media studios (fall '24).

These studios are available to punch card holders only during the posted maker studio hours. Punch Cards can be purchased online at [artofthelakes.org/cac](http://artofthelakes.org/cac). Studio access must be scheduled in advance by calling Art of the Lakes at 218-864-8606. Punch cards are good for one year from purchase.

You will need to sign a Waiver of Liability before using any Maker Studio.

### Punch Card Options

- 4-Punch Card: \$28 for AOTL Members, \$36 for Non-Members
- 12-Punch Card: \$60 For AOTL Members, \$84 for Non-Members

### Who is a punch card pass good for?

#### Punch Cards are best for:

- Self-directed ceramics makers who have taken 2 or more CAC ceramics class sessions, and potters who have taken 2 or more semesters of college level ceramics
- Hobby makers who can work safely, keep their workspace clean, and create without assistance.

#### Punch Cards are NOT GOOD FOR:

- Students in clay who have taken less than 2 ceramics classes
- Students in clay who are not comfortable with the clay process, who cannot successfully wedge, center, throw, clean thoroughly, or glaze without assistance.
- Students who are still acquiring basic processes or need a lot of help step by step.
- People who took clay or sewing in high school, but not since then

#### Punch Cards can sometimes work for:

- Serious makers who already have a solid studio practice and produce a lot. However, we have limited storage space.

## **Punch Card Benefits**

- Use of ceramics or other maker studio during open hours
- Ceramics studio includes use of house glazes, communal tools, electric wheels, slab roller, slips, etc. for the purchased number of visits.
- Devoted shelf space for storage of tools, material, and works in progress.
- Use of graduated backdrop for taking photos (must be scheduled 48hrs in advance by calling 218-864-8606, subject to studio availability)
- Private Lessons available. Ask about current pricing.
- Access to our lending library

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

*Do I need experience?* Yes. Maker Studio passes are best for those who are self-directed and have prior experience working in the studio of interest. If you're new to the art form or have not done it in a while, you should take several classes first to get familiar with the process and how the studio operates.

*Can I share my punch card with others?* No. The card purchaser is the only user of that card.

*How much time do I get with a punch?* One punch equals one check-in / check-out session. Check in when you arrive, and check out when you leave the CAC for the day. You must check in at the CAC desk before entering the studio.

*How far ahead can I schedule use of the studio?* You can schedule the same day and up to 14 days ahead of time. We can't guarantee space availability. If you must cancel, please call us 24 hours ahead.

*I'm a production maker in ceramics fiber or glass, can I work in your studio?* Due to limited storage space, our studios are currently not set up to accommodate production work.

*When can I come in?* You can come in to use the studio whenever we are open. Please note we are closed for major holidays and the full week between Christmas and New Year.

*Are materials included?* No. Clay can be purchased by the 25lb bag for \$25. We have buff stoneware cone 6-10 body. Glaze firing is calculated at a rate of 5 cents per cubic inch. No outside clay or glazes allowed.

*How do I get started?* Schedule a tour! See the space, meet staff, ask questions! After you are convinced this would be an awesome place to create your work, those who have never been a student at the CAC (but have experience) will go through an orientation about how the studio operates before getting started. Each orientation lasts about 15-30 minutes. After this, you are free to play!