



Zine Making Workshops: FAQs

Part of **This is Croydon**, we are hosting free zine-making workshops for neurodivergent young adults in Croydon. Here's our FAQs - if you have any other questions, please email hello@autisticyouthhub.org.uk

WHAT IS A ZINE?

A zine "zeen" (short for magazine or fanzine) is a small, very informal, self-published creative work of text and/or images, usually produced by a single person or a very small group. They are often handcrafted with a lo-fi aesthetic, photocopied on A4 paper and hand-folded for cheap circulation.

WHAT HAPPENS IN THE WORKSHOPS?

We will explain what a zine is and how to make one. You do not need any art or writing experience.

There will be free art materials and papers to use plus plain pre-folded zines ready. There will be creative workshop facilitators on hand to help you develop your ideas and answer any questions.

The workshop are 2.5 hours long. They are relaxed sessions: you can come and go as you need. You are welcome to just watch and listen, you can keep a pack of materials to use when you want. You can choose to have your zine printed and added to our collection too.

We'd like you to give feedback at the end of the workshop if you can but you don't have to.

WHERE ARE THE IN PERSON WORKSHOPS?

OUR SPACE, 50 High Street, Croydon CR0 1YB, also called Disability Croydon.

<https://what3words.com/taps.double.hugs> <https://maps.app.goo.gl/38B857WL114NikNf8>

There will be drinks and snacks, a chill out space with a zine library and different workspaces.

HOW DO THE ONLINE WORKSHOPS WORK?

We use Google Meet - you will receive a meeting code and joining instructions when you register for a session. You will receive a pack of materials, paper and pre-folded plain zines in the post.

You can keep your camera off if you prefer and two workshops are non-speaking, we will be using the chat to communicate. These sessions are about coming together to create in a chilled way.

WHO ARE THE WORKSHOPS SUITABLE FOR?

The workshops are designed for neurodivergent young adults (autistic, ADHD, AuDHD, dyspraxia, dyslexia, etc) aged 16+ to 35+ who do not have additional intellectual (learning) disabilities.

They are not suitable for people with high support needs who cannot attend independently of a parent/carer/support worker.

WHAT IS AUTISTIC YOUTH HUB?

We're a group of autistic young adults aged 16-30: artists, gamers, performers, analysts, illustrators, activists, writers, students and more. We co-produce spaces and events specifically for others like us who don't have additional intellectual (learning) disabilities. We also just hang out.

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