

Emeritus Institute Instructor

JENNIFER PORTER

Where were you born and where did you grow up?
Southern California

What is your educational background?
Bachelors of Fine Art, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago (Chicago, IL); Masters of Fine Arts, California Institute of the Arts (Valencia, CA)

Do you teach elsewhere?
I currently teach at Saddleback College (credit classes) and Chaffey College in Rancho Cucamonga.

When did you discover your passion for instruction?
When I realized I could actually help people be more creative.

What is your favorite aspect of your chosen career?
Seeing the moment people *light up* when they learn something they find useful.

What quality do you feel best describes you?
Creative. I like to make pretty things.

What other interests, hobbies and pastimes are you passionate about?
I own my own business, Porterness Studio, creating jewelry for knitting and yarn connoisseurs.

What do you think you'll enjoy most about teaching for the Emeritus Institute?
The community of students

What message would you like to send to your current and future Emeritus Students about what they can expect from your classes?
I'm here to help.

Please share a "FUN FACT" about you.
Lon Chaney, Sr. *(*star of *The Phantom of the Opera)* once lived on my family's street.