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Ffion, who comes to our claydays, taught some of us how to make bangles " with a lot of success. So I thought it would be fun to find out more about cuffs and bangles. Whether you have access to metal forms <http://shiborigirl.blogspot.co.uk/2010/08/polymer-clay-bangles.html> or prefer to make your own <http://quirkability.blogspot.co.uk/2013/03/diy-polymer-clay-bangles.html> (this one is carved) there are lots of ideas available. Pinterest has the greatest variety of ideas: <http://pinterest.com/mssharp55/polymer-clay-bracelets/> or you can type in a search on <http://www.claylessons.com/> for tutorials. You may even want to go on a course: Debbie Carlton frequently does them at the London Jewellery School <http://www.londonjewelleryschool.co.uk/polymer-clay/polymer-clay-bangles/>. If you want sophistication then look at Maggie Maggio's lovely poetry bracelet, (on the right below), a variation of which is here: <http://polymerclayfests.files.wordpress.com/2009/10/maggio-poetry-bracelet.jpg>. Alice Stoppel is drawing on her cuffs: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dmg6ezfSDtA> and to my delight I found this wonderful video on Facebook: Freya's cuff: <https://www.facebook.com/video/video.php?v=159019744152362> " you will need to watch it twice, once to read the text which is delightful, and once to see how to make it.



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I have been putting up on the community website examples of the work of people



Freya's™ cuff is about ice and snow. I am about to receive delivery of "Ice paint"™ which gives a frosted effect and is suitable for any smooth surface which of course includes polymer clay. Watch the cart " this paint should be fun to use. And at the other extreme of temperature I now have a supply of Premo's™ new "Jungle"™ clay!

**Reminder- our next Clayday in Wales is on Saturday 6th July**

who come to our claydays " do have a look.

<http://community.clayaround.com/display-your-work.html>. Eileen is particularly prolific " and always experimenting. She has recently been using her cabezels (available here " but watch for import duty!) " this is one of her successes.



**Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep**  
Scott Adams

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