

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN  
**Continuing Education**

**Botanical Drawing for Beginners**  
**BIL 145**

**Materials List:**

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**Materials:**

1. Drawing paper: 9" x 12" drawing paper, such as Strathmore 400 Series. Avoid sketch paper and papers with a smooth surface.
2. Graphite pencils: 2H, HB, 2B artist quality such as Faber-Castell 9000, Derwent or Staedtler Mars Lumograph
3. Battery operated pencil sharpener
4. Erasers: kneaded rubber eraser and white plastic eraser
5. Colored pencils: If you have any colored pencils, bring them. If you are going to buy them, Faber- Castell is an excellent brand. Another brand (ex: Prismacolor, Derwent) is fine, but buy artist quality and use a similar range of colors as the following Faber- Castell pencils. Sets are available, but it is better to buy individual colors.  
Orange Yellow: Cadmium yellow 107  
Green Yellow: Cadmium yellow lemon 205  
Orange Red: Pale Geranium Lake 121 or Deep Scarlett Red 219  
Violet Red: Middle Purple Pink 125  
Violet Blue: Cobalt 143 or Ultramarine 120  
Green Blue: Cobalt Turquoise 155 or Phthalo Blue 110  
Green: Chrome Oxide Green 278  
Purple: Red –Violet (Purple)194  
Sepia: Dark Sepia 175  
Indigo: Dark Indigo 157  
Ivory: Ivory 103  
Earthtones: Burnt Ochre 187; Venetian Red 190; Yellow Ochre 183; Burnt Sienna 283
6. A small jar or vase for holding flowers. A frog prong to hold specimen is also helpful.
8. 6" or 12" clear plastic ruler

Resources for Art Materials:

On the Internet:

[www.asw.com](http://www.asw.com)

[www.cheapjoes.com](http://www.cheapjoes.com)

[www.danielsmith.com](http://www.danielsmith.com)

[www.davinciartistsupply.com](http://www.davinciartistsupply.com)

[www.dickblick.com](http://www.dickblick.com)

[www.italianartstore.com](http://www.italianartstore.com)

[www.jerrysartarama.com](http://www.jerrysartarama.com)