Supply List Exploring Watercolors Creatively

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<u>Watercolor paints</u>: Please bring whatever watercolor paints you prefer to use in a variety of colors. At minimum plan to bring at least 2 yellows, reds and blues and whatever other colors you would like. Good color choices: Lemon or Hansa Yellow; Cadmium Yellow or New Gamboge; Quinacridone Magenta or Rose; Cadmium or Quinacridone Red; Phthalo Blue or Turquoise; and Ultramarine Blue.



<u>Paintbrushes:</u> Make sure to bring *watercolor* brushes. They are softer. Round brushes must also come to a good point. Suggested sizes: 1'' and $\frac{1}{2}''$ flats, 16, 12 and 8 rounds, or similar sizes.

<u>Watercolor Paper</u>: Highly recommend Arches 140 lb cold pressed watercolor paper or other watercolor paper noted as <u>100% rag or cotton</u>. There are tablets of Arches paper available at Michaels and single sheets of 22" x 30" available at Hobby Lobby that can be divided up into smaller pieces. You may work on whatever size paper you prefer. Other professional papers are Fabriano, Blick Premier, Moulin Du Roy, etc.

Please note that inexpensive Canson and Strathmore booklets are not a 100% <u>rag (cotton)</u> watercolor paper. They are a wood pulp product. I strongly urge you to NOT use these products.

<u>Palette:</u> Plastic palette with wells for paint and <u>large</u> mixing area. A palette with a cover is always nice to have. Can also use foam or plastic plates to mix on.

<u>Water Container:</u> Good size non-breakable container to hold water around 24 – 30 oz.

Other Suggested Items:

- Note pad and pencils,
- Graphite paper to transfer drawings to paper
- Absorbent paper towel or tissue,
- Rag or sponges
- Spray bottle with water

If there are items on the list you do not have, such as the size brushes listed, please come and check out what others are using before purchasing new. Better brushes and paints are available on-line through sources such as Dick Blick, Cheap Joes and Merri Artist. The supplies listed above are all available locally. If you have questions, please contact the instructor, Stacie Rose, at 989-239-4445 or email stacierose@sbcglobal.net.