

Beginner Oil Painting Workshop Material List

- Artist Oil Paints (do not buy water-mixable oils, check tubes carefully, it is easy to confuse the two)
Sets will contain plenty of colors for class. If buying individual tubes, the minimum colors are Titanium White, Ivory Black, Raw Umber, Cadmium Red (hue), Cadmium Yellow (hue), Ultramarine Blue.
- Brushes: min. of three, more is better, variety of sizes (8, 6, 4 for example) long or short handle, both bristle and softer synthetics. Brushes must be indicated for oil or acrylic painting. Watercolor brushes are not suitable. Inexpensive sets will have many different types.
- Palette Knife: for mixing and painting, may be metal (preferred) or plastic, crooked neck, small triangular blade (about 3/4").
- Palette and Palette Paper: either the Masterson's Covered Palette box or a firm piece of foam core board/cardboard that can be covered with palette paper. Do not buy plastic palettes that have little wells in them. Freezer paper with one slick side may be used in place of palette paper.
- Canvas Pad: this is canvas or primed paper in a pad that is used by the sheet for practice.
(1) Firm foam core board or Canvas Board that will be sized for the canvas pad sheets to be taped to.
- Canvas Boards or Stretched Canvas: minimum of (2), 8"x10"
- Canvas Board or Stretched Canvas: (1) 11"x14"
- Solvent: only an Odorless Mineral Spirit made for artists (not hardware store solvent). Used for thinning paint and brush cleaning. Gamsol, Mona Lisa and Odorless Turpenoid are common brands. If you want to paint solvent free, do not buy the solvent (traditional paint methods use solvent).
- Solvent Container: a metal or glass jar designed for artists to hold solvent with a tight-fitting lid. Do not substitute with any other kind of jar, including canning jars.
- Medium: either a small Linseed Oil or the Liquin Original Medium for Oils (again, read label carefully, do not buy "water-mixable"). You might share the medium with a friend.
- Paper towels (lint free) and/or 100%cotton rags
- Smock or apron
- Nitrile gloves (optional)
- Small pliers (optional)
- Small plastic bags to carry paper towels home
- Easy-release tape: Dollar Store Masking Tape or Painters Tape
- Small sketch pad (this may be one already used), pencil/pen/eraser/ruler
- Lunch/Drinks/Snacks