**Watercolor – Take the Plunge**

Where does one start? Here is the Introduction to watercolor supply list. Any questions, please contact the instructor. Prefer a text at 267-994-4253. /email [skooter350@gmail.com](mailto:skooter350@gmail.com)

**Supply List-** ***To succeed in watercolor do not buy student grade materials.***

**Brushes:**

(Brushes are a personal choice but may I suggest these below as basics):

Round watercolor brushes.

#4

#6

#8

#10

1” or 1 ½” Flat brush

Optional 1 angled flat brush.

*(Loew-Cornell 7020 ultra round series is a good inexpensive brush)*

**You can find these online at CheapJoes.com or Dickblick.com or even Amazon. Any other brush that intrigues you, you can bring.**

**Paper:**

Types of paper Cold Press – most commonly used. Has a texture to it.

Hot Press – Smooth. Great for detail illustration work.

Rough – Very textured.

**We will work with cold Press #140 Wt. Paper.**

In class our work will use up to 15 -20 sheet suggested

9 x 12 size.

Block or pad paper-

9 x 12

11 x 15

12x16

**Paints:**

It is suggested to purchase tubes versus pan paint. Name brands are Windsor, Daniel Smith, Holbein, and more. Low cost but professions grade is needed to learn properly. Artist or professions grade paint has more pigment. Below is a suggested list of paints.

If you see paints in a group, make sure you get the required colors listed.

**Walmart carries Daler Rowney Watercolor 20 colors for $12 – a great starting kit.**

***\*\*Warm***

**Yellow** Cad Yellow Light or Hansa Yel Dark or New Gamboge

**Red**  Cad Red Lt or Cad Red Med.

**Green**  Hookers Green or Sap Green

**Blue**  Ultramarine Blue or French Ultramarine Blue

***\*\*Cool***

**Yellow** Lemon Yellow or Cad Lemon

**Red**  Permanent Rose or Quin Rose or Alizarin Crimson

**Green**  Viridian

**Blue**  Cerulean Blue or Phthalo Blue

***Optional***

Burnt Sienna Titanium White Cobalt Blue Payne’s Grey Yellow Ochre

Any other color that may strike your fancy.

**Other Supplies:**

Palette with a minimum of 10 – 12 wells for paint and mixing area, with cover/lid.

2 containers for water, paper towels, shower curtain liner for table cover, artist tape, ruler, kneaded eraser, small light weight drawing board you can tape your paper to, HB drawing pencil, tooth brush, tissues ( does not have to be name brand Kleenex).

Apron or old shirt for protection.

Binder – A place to have all your charts to use for referral when painting.

Also a great place to keep any notes.

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This class is for anyone who is interested in learning how to paint with watercolor. It is designed for people who have never picked up a watercolor brush, for people who are returning to watercolor after many years away, or people interested in finding out if they want to be a watercolor artist.

The class is a 6 week, 2 ½ hour weekly class. The student will learn about colors, papers and brushes. Each week we will build upon the lessons moving from color chart, to mixing, to techniques, to creating your first watercolor picture I will be teaching the basic washes, glazing, watercolor “tricks”, and use of shadows. Composition will be introduced. At the end of each class the student will have at least one, if not more, projects to take home.

**Overview of Class**

Week 1: Set up palette. Create a Color Chart. Do a Value study.

Week 2: Test brushes. Make a color relationship chart.

Paint 1st watercolor painting.

Week 3: Techniques and tricks with watercolor. Create a quote picture.

Week 4: Study of shapes and shadows.

Week 5: 2 paintings. Same subject. One with warm colors, one with cool colors.

Week 6: Plan and create first complete watercolor picture using any skills learned. *Note:* The items you complete in classes 1 through 5 will become your reference notebook about watercolor.

Note – throughout the class color theory will be introduced and used .

Each week the instructor will review the previous class and answer any questions. At the closing of each week the instructor will announce what items to bring to the next class. A reminder email will also be sent.