

LOOSEN UP: AN IMPRESSIONISTIC APPROACH

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While all materials can be found at *Opus Art Supplies*, similar products and brands from other stores are welcome. Suggested brand names are *italicized*. Additional materials are also welcome.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- Easels, side tables, chairs and stools, containers for liquids, masking tape, and saran wrap.

SURFACE

- 5 square canvas panels: between 4" x 4" or 5" x 5"
- 3 square canvas panels: 6" x 6" or 8" x 8"
- Canvas panel brands (*'Buzz'* or *'Fredrix'*) are recommended or use a pad of canvas paper (*'Fredrix'*). Alternative brands are welcome.
- TIP: If you have larger panels, you can cut them down to size with a utility knife.

PAINT

Oils are recommended, but acrylics and water-based oils are welcome. It is recommended to use 'artist grade' vs. 'student grade' paint.

- Asphaltum (*or Burnt Umber, or Raw Umber*) / Cadmium Red Light (*or Medium*) / Quinacridone Magenta (*or Alizarin Crimson, or Quinacridone Violet*) / Yellow Ochre / Cadmium Yellow Medium / Cadmium Yellow Light (*or any bright yellow*) / Phthalo Blue / Ivory Black / Titanium White
 - Optional: Cerulean Blue, Ultramarine or Cobalt Blue, Raw Umber
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MEDIUM

For Oil Painters:

- Walnut Alkyd: bring one small bottle (*or Linseed oil*)
- Use *Gamblin's 'Gamsol'* only! Please do not bring other brands or turpentine
- Bring an extra glass jar + lid to store excess dirty OMS after class.

For Acrylic Painters:

- Bring a small spray water bottle to keep your paint wet
 - Acrylic '*Retarder*' to extend drying time
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BRUSHES

Please bring whatever brushes you enjoy working with in a range of shapes and sizes. We recommend the following long-handled brushes:

- Egbert (*or long Filbert*): size 8 (*one*)
 - Egberts (*or Long Filberts*): sizes 4–6 (*two to four*)
 - Smaller Filberts (*or Rounds*): size 4 (*two*)
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PALETTES

For Oil Painters:

A glass palette is provided, although you are welcome to bring your own

For Acrylic Painters:

- It is recommended to use a '*Masterson Sta-Wet*' palette (16" x 12"): Click [HERE](#)
 - Optional: '*Richeson Grey Matters Paper Palettes*' (16" x 12"): Click [HERE](#)
 - Optional: '*Canson Disposable Palette Paper*' (16" x 12"): Click [HERE](#)
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ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- Graphite pencil (*2B or HB is fine*), or a charcoal pencil
- One kneadable eraser
- [Palette Knife](#): '*Liquitex*' Small Painting Knife #5
- [Paper Towel](#): '*Scott's Shop Towels*' (*blue*): Click [HERE](#)
- Painting can be messy, please bring suitable clothing.

OPTIONAL

- Gloves While Painting: Latex or 'Gorilla Grip' gloves (*breathable + waterproof*)
- Gloves for Brush Cleaning: Waterproof rubber gloves are recommended.
- Sketchbook 8.5" x 11" or smaller for taking notes
- 'Mahl' stick