

List of Supplies

Class: Creative Painting in Pastel and Watercolor

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Students often have different materials and different needs. I am very sensitive to the fact that art supplies are expensive. I've always found that we can work around the "stuff" students bring to the workshop.

That said: students will get the best results if they bring the following:

- "Toothy" wet/dry pastel paper
- Variety of pastels which differ in degree of hardness (we'll work hard to soft)

My Pastel/ watercolor plein air painting workshop supply list follows:

- One rigid board to support pastel paper
- Sanded Pastel Papers, (the size is student preference). I recommend: Wallis Pastel paper, Art Spectrum sanded paper, (Sennelier La Carte sanded paper for dry pastel applications only!) , or U art 400 grit
- Artist quality soft pastels. Students will need both hard and soft pastels. I recommend that select their pastels from the list below:
 - (hardest) :Nupastels or conte
 - (very soft) : Unison, Schmicke,, Sennelier...many art supply companies offer ½ stick soft pastel sets. I highly recommend these as a first set into painterly pastel painting *



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Optional :

An inexpensive set of watercolors. Many companies manufacture small compact sets. The watercolor will be a base for blocking in the pastel painting, the watercolors can be student grade such as Cotman, or simple sets available at most art and craft stores.

If you have a set of pan or tube watercolors bring them, we will make it work. Ideally, you will bring one large and one medium watercolor brush, a water container, and a white palette for mixing your watercolors. Some sets have a self-contained palette. Keep it small, keep it simple.

***If you are just beginning the pastel medium, you can get a big “bang for your buck” with a big set of Nupastels and a 1/2 stick set of soft pastels.**

Most art supply catalogues offer good prices on these products. (Cheap Joes, Jerry's, Dick Blick, Dakota pastels...)

Miscellaneous:

- Paper towels and disposable hand wipes
- Masking tape
- Newspaper to protect finished work
- A sense of Humor!

If you have any questions about your materials contact me at 920-421-1616 or paruchfamily@netzero.net



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