

Watercolor Supplies List

Brushes: Whatever you prefer. Recommend at least: Large round with good point. Medium round with good point. 1" Flat, ½" flat. A rigger (for signing your masterpiece). I like the Lowe Cornell brand these days.

Pigments: Bring your favorite pigments or just a loaded palette: Bring at least a warm and cool of each of the primaries: These include: Cadmium yellow (light or medium) or Gamboge, Lemon Yellow, Alizarin Crimson or Permanent Rose, Cadmium Red or another warm red, Ultramarine Blue or Cobalt blue, Phthalo blue or Prussian Blue. Common optional colors include Cerulean Blue and Yellow Ochre, Raw Sienna, Burnt Sienna, Sap Green, Magentas, Cadmium Orange, Quinacridones, etc. Please buy **only professional grade** watercolor pigments. Windsor Newton, Holbein and Utrecht are good brands that are available locally. Daniel Smith, M. Graham are also excellent brands. I recommend avoiding Winton, Blick, and Grumbacher. But that could just be my opinion. ☺

Paper: At least 140lb. I like Arches for the sizing. Many people like Fabriano papers. Please avoid Strathmore and Cotman papers, especially if they come in a pad. A "Rough" surface can add to the textures we will be creating, but cold press or hot press are fine too. Bring one sheet, at least a quarter sheet (11"x15") size, for creating a texture reference resource.

Watercolor Board – a water resistant surface (or two) to attach your paper. (i.e. Plexiglas, gator board, Masonite, watercolor block, etc.)

Water containers – bring two. Recycled plastic butter dishes are nice. Think wide opening and shallow (to avoid tipping and spillage).

Towels – Terry or paper. I like Viva paper towels. I will not supply paper towels, so if you forget this item, you're on your own ☺

Tape – Artist's Tape or masking tape. Do NOT use painter's tape (usually blue) as it doesn't provide a good water seal.

Knife – Hobby or snap blade knife. A snap blade knife is really nice. They are located in the wallpaper section of Home Improvement stores like Home Depot and Lowe's. Don't get the highest price snap knives, as they are not as flexible.

Misc items: palette knife, masking fluid, scissors, cotton swabs (i.e. Q-tips),

Many auxiliary materials will be provided! Such as a variety of salts, alcohol, bleach, vinegar, chalk, pastel, Brusho®, baking powder, texture medium, gum Arabic, rice, sand paper, cheese cloth, bubble and cling wrap, and much, much more... We are practically going to throw in the kitchen sink! Fun, fun.