

Watercolor Class with Jerry Aissis

Painting Supplies

Materials for Class

Paper: Arches 140 Cold-pressed . Make sure that the paper you buy has a rough texture and is fairly thick. You will need one full sheet which we will cut into four pieces. Purchasing good, quality watercolor paper is essential for producing good paintings. You can also purchase a less expensive watercolor pad for practice sessions and brush exercises and save the good, quality watercolor paper for a full painting. Strathmore is fine for watercolor exercises or learning how to mix paints but Arches 140 Cold-pressed will give you professional results

Brushes: Get good quality watercolor brushes. Make sure they are for watercolor and not acrylics or craft brushes. You will need the following sizes: a one inch flat brush for washes, a half inch flat, a # 6 , 10, or 12 round brush, a #3 or 4 rigger or script for fine detail. If your budget allows, you can purchase other brushes that are comfortable for you to use. Don't worry if you don't have all the brushes for the first class.

Paints: Good quality paints are important. You will get good results with good paints. I would suggest Winsor and Newton or Cotman Watercolors in the following colors: Cobalt Blue, Cerulean Blue, Ultramarine Blue, Burnt Sienna, Raw Sienna, Yellow Ochre, Cadmium Yellow, Lemon yellow, Cadmium Red Light, and Scarlet Red to begin . Also purchase a tube of White Gouache

Other Materials: paper towels, tissues, sponges (both natural and man-made)
Palette (white with wells along the side) Large enough to hold 14 to 18 different colors
Gator board for support for the watercolor paper (This can be foam board, masonite cut 18 X 24 inches or plexiglass of the same size. Gator board is the best, especially when you have to staple the paper to the board and tape all along the edge of the paper
Masking tape or bull clips (to tape or hold the watercolor paper to the board)
Plastic containers to hold water. Single edge razor blade. A small switch blade
Old kitchen towels to wipe up spills.(hopefully there won't be too many of those)
Kneaded eraser

To purchase materials: Jerry's Artarama in Providence located on 14 Imperial Place in Providence (they will be moving so check before you go there) or Utrecht's located on 200 Wickenden Street, Providence . They will carry all or at least most of the art materials needed. You can also order on line from the following places:

www.cheapjoes.com

www.jerrysartarama.com/jerrysprovidence

www.dickblick.com

www.danielsmith.com

Come to class with an open mind and most of all, have fun.

Jerry Aissis