

## Watercolor Art Supply List Karen Eskesen

If you are a beginner, be sure you are buying watercolors, not gouache or “designers’ colors”. The tubes can be confusing. Read the labels. Anything called “hue” is an imitation. For instance, “Cadmium Red Hue” -- this is an imitation of Cadmium Red and might be an unreliable, fading color. Check the manufacturer’s color charts to be sure that the “hue” is a permanent color. A small tube of artist’s (professional) paint is more economical than student quality, because it has more pigment, and goes further. Recognized brands include Winsor & Newton (not Cotman, it is a student quality), Holbein, Daler-Rowney, Da Vinci, MaimeriBlu, Rembrandt, Sennelier, Cheap Joe’s American Journey, Utrecht.

One tube each: Cadmium Yellow Lemon/ Cadmium Yellow (or Cad. Yell. Medium)/ Cadmium Red/ Permanent Rose (quinacridone)/ Permanent Alizarin Crimson/ Ultramarine Blue/ Manganese or Cerulean Blue/ (but not Grumbacher’s Cerulean)/ Viridian Green.

Please leave earth colors at home if you have them, because we mix beautiful browns and grays from primary colors.

A folding plastic or enameled metal palette with at least 22 little “wells”, or a large plastic palette with wells. In an emergency, a white plastic plate works. One or two water jars. One flat or round watercolor brush, size 10, or larger, up to 2” wide. The best brushes are Kolinsky sable, but very expensive. Loew Cornell 7020 Series and Utrecht 6150-R are excellent, inexpensive brushes with man-made fibers. Cotton washcloth (cloth diapers work too). “Arches Brand Paper 140 lbs. Cold Press” It is cheaper by the sheet. You can divide a full sheet into halves or quarters. Cheaper papers are very hard to paint on. Drawing paper, #2 pencil (a regular pencil), eraser, pencil sharpener.

PLEASE KEEP A SWEATER OR JACKET IN CAR IN CASE OF COLD SPELL!!! We will start class at tables in the shade. Use a jar of water that doesn’t leak. Use backing for your paper: foamcore is light and convenient (office supply store or art store). Please bring 4 clothes pins to attach the paper to the backing. For painting on site, have a cloth hat with a brim; mosquito and sun protection. We supply chairs, but some people like a folding stool, beach chair, or easel (you have to carry them yourself.) Art Supply Stores: Cheapjoes.com (Cheap Joe’s makes American Journey and sells other brands) Jerry’s Artarama, Hillsboro Blvd at U.S.1. Blick Art Materials, 2384 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale. You can also buy from Blick online. Ask all of them if they offer a discount to art students. Your registration email will usually suffice.