Supply List for Beginning and intermediate Watercolor

You may bring watercolor supplies you may already have from previous watercolor classes or personal ventures. Each instructor has specific materials they use but if you already own watercolors then they will work for projects. Do not purchase school grade materials. DickBlick Art Supplies is a good online resource.

You will need the following:

Brushes:

1 - Round watercolor brush no smaller than #8 (natural bristles or synthetic)



- 1 Clear plastic round, square or rectangular tub with lid (holds 2 cups of water or more)
- 1 Roll white VIVA paper towels
- 1 Fine lead mechanical pencil
- 1 Butcher Tray Palette no smaller that 7½" x 11" example above right is from Blick Art Supplies
- 2 22" x 30" sheets Arches Cold Press watercolor paper, 100% cotton fiber content (purchase more as needed).

Watercolor Paint:

I prefer using Yarka St Petersburg Professional Watercolor Pans. I have been using this paint for 30 years since it was first introduced to the US market. These are highly saturated colors just like the paint in the tubes but easier to transport and last a very long time. Each pan can be replaced individually.

Ten years ago the Richeson Co. began distributing Yarka watercolor and the price went up dramatically. I did some personal research and found out that the same paint is available under several different names at a much more affordable cost. Research: Sonnet Studio Water Colours, Yarka St. Petersburg Professional Pans, or Yarka St Petersburg White Nights Extra-fine artists' water colours to find the best price online. I use the 36 color set that comes in a palette case.

Sonnet Studio Watercolours – Same paint and colors as the original but they are not in a hard plastic case. The pans are in a molded plastic tray inside a box. They come in 2 sizes 16 or 24 colors. The only drawback is deliver is slow.

Special Note: I have some sets you may use in class if your order does not arrive before the class begins.



