g.a. Sheller’s Less Expensive Watercolor Materials List

Please bring what you have to the first class, we will have some materials you can use.

Paint:
Academy or Cotman watercolor paint in tubes. These are student grade watercolors.
Recommended colors:
- Cadmium red
- Cadmium yellow or cadmium yellow light
- Ultramarine blue
- Alizarin crimson
- Hookers green or hookers green light
- Yellow ochre
- Burnt umber

Brushes:
Sceptre Gold brushes in sizes #1 inch wash, 6 and 10 round

Palette:
Robert Wood or one near that size
Please do not put paint on a new palette until you receive instructions on how to prepare the palette.
For the best price I recommend that you purchase these supplies at an art store. For example, Michaels charges $2.00 to $3.00 more for a tube of Cotman paint than art stores Rochester Art Supply and The Art Store, as well as others, have these materials.

Additional Materials:
- One sheet of 140lb cold press Arches watercolor paper, 22in. x 30in
- Drafting tape
- HB pencil
- Staedtler eraser
- Spritzer bottle
- Paper towels
- 2 water containers
- A support for your paper such as Gatorboard, Incredible Art Board, or a smooth board impervious to water. This support should be at least a little larger than 15in x 22in so as to support a half sheet of watercolor paper.
- A block of wood or a book to put under the support to create a tilt
- An inexpensive pad of drawing paper, suggested size 9in x 12 in.
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If you are planning to continue with watercolor painting I recommend buying professional rather than student grade paint and brushes. Maimeri Blu and Schmincke are professional grade paints.

Maimeri Blu Watercolor Paint

**Basic watercolor palette:** Primary yellow, Sandal red, Ultramarine blue, Hookers green, Alizarin crimson, or Primary red magenta, Burnt sienna, Permanent violet bluish

**Extended watercolor palette:** Yellow ochre, Permanent yellow lemon, Burnt umber, cobalt blue light, Permanent orange, Green earth, Berlin blue

Schmincke Watercolor Paint

**Basic watercolor palette:** Alizarin Crimson, Chrome Yellow Light, Cadmium Red Middle, Hookers Green, Ultramarine Blue, Mauve, Burnt Sienna

**Extended Watercolor Palette:** Yellow Ochre, Chromium Oxide, Cobalt Blue Light, Mountain Blue, Lemon Yellow, Burnt Umber, Chrome Orange

**Professional Brushes**

Sable brushes or Sceptre Gold brushes (Series 606 flat and Series 101 round)

Flat brushes: one inch, one half inch, one quarter inch

Round brushes: # 14, 7, 4, 2 or one small, one medium and one large

**All materials are optional**