

## Materials List for Introduction-Intermediate Watercolor

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*This is a very basic list to get us started in the first class. I will discuss/demo more materials in depth and you will get to explore them as well. Then hopefully you can decide what you like and purchase other items as you wish.*

### Paper-

**-Strathmore Watercolor Paper Block 11"x15" cold pressed**

\*can bring other watercolor paper if you already, but have to also bring a solid board to tape it onto

-Tracing paper pad at least 9"x12"

### Paints-

**-Watercolor paint that comes in tubes**

Daniel Smith brand is some of the best

Windsor Newton brand is good

Reeves Brand from AC Moore is inexpensive

### Color Palette

-since this class is mainly focusing on value, ***start with at the least get one color that has a good contrast (such as browns, blues NOT light yellow) to your paper.***

But if you want to explore color...

**Basic Color Palette (primaries + black + some earthtones)**

Ultramarine Blue,

Quinacridone Red,

Hansa Yellow,

Lamp Black,

Yellow Ochre

Burnt Sienna. Or close variations of them as the art store you shop at might advise

### More Developed Color Palette

-add these colors (secondaries, cooler primaries, and "modern" pigments)

Cobalt Blue,

New Gamboge,

Phthalo Blue-red shade,

Phthalo Green-blue shade

**-Palette**, a traveler's size is best. It has a fold over lid. But please make sure whatever palette you decide to work with, has at least 12 small wells and a few larger flat well areas to mix paint in. **Mijello Fusion Airtight/Leakproof Palettes with 18 wells is really good and easily found.**

**Liquid Mask** (sometimes called "frisk")

**Windsor Newton Art Masking Fluid for Watercolour** NOT Daniel Smith

### Brushes -Start with 4

1. ½" to 1" flat, (about 3 fingers wide )

2. round, (around the same size of your thumb)

3. liners (thing enough to paint a thin line)
4. angular. Get ones that feel good in your hand and you think will do a good job of covering the paper.

**My preferred sizes...might want yours to be “in the neighborhood”**

(The numbers for brushes generally get bigger as the number gets larger.)

**1. #4 or bigger round\***

**2. ½” angular brush**

**3. liner (sometimes called rigger) # 1 or 2 for detail work**

\*If you really want to splurge...synthetic squirrel quill mop made by Princeton Neptune line. Brush load release is very sensitive to hand pressure-great for going from a wash to fine line in one stroke. You can test drive some of mine...

**-Masonite board (12”x16” or larger) if working on loose paper.** You can find one about this size with clips at AC Moore and Plaza.

**Miscellaneous but still important ( I will also have some of these to share**

*-Pencil and white or kneadable eraser. no pinkies allowed in class.*

-Sketchbook good size is 9”x12” or some blank paper to make rough sketches on

*-2 water containers (plastic, preferably clear) that can hold at least 2 cups each*

*-paper towels*

-painter’s tape ½” wide or wider (the blue or green stuff, the hardware store will have it, art suppliers usually don’t)

-toothpicks, table salt, and q-tips (just a little bit of each)

-clear plastic carrying case (Walmart fishing tackle box) or at craft stores for brushes, paints, etc...

**Local Art Suppliers**

<b>Plaza Art Materials</b>	927 W. Grace St. Richmond	359-5900
<i>Plazaart.com</i>	near VCU in the fan	

Very knowledgeable staff, wide variety to supplies. This is the best place to find the hard to find or newly developed art supplies. Only place for Daniel Smith paints and Squirrel Mop brushes

<b>A.C. Moore</b>	Several in town. Check on-line	323-
8360		
<i>Acmoore.com</i>		

Check their website to find locations in the Richmond area.

They often will have big coupons (40%, 50%) off so look on-line before you go.

<b>Michael’s</b>	Several in town. Check on-line	897-7140
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Again they have several in the area, as well as on-line coupons. Not quite as well stocked as AC Moore.

Also have on-line coupons...

**VCU e2 Bookstore**                      1111W. Broad St                      828-1678

**Hobby Lobby**                      check on-line, locations in Short Pump and Midlo

**ON-line Art Suppliers-**  
give about 5-14 days for ordering

**DickBlick.com**

**CheapJoes.com**

**Amazon.com**