## **Introduction to Letterpress**

Suggested Materials List

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#### **Paper Options**

There are hundreds of papers you can use, you can nearly print on anything! You should think about using a heavier Stock though if you want a deeper impression. The paper weight is done in lbs. or grams. Computer paper tends to be thin...you want to use something that is at least cover stock. Also you should look for uncoated paper (not glossy). But really, just find something you like! It is all personal preference.

# These first two are pricy but thick in weight and are designated for letterpress specifically.

- Mohawk <a href="http://www.mohawkconnects.com/products/paper/strathmore-pure-cotton">http://www.mohawkconnects.com/products/paper/strathmore-pure-cotton</a>
- Crane's Lettra http://www.neenahpaper.com/finepaper/cranepapers/craneslettrapapers/product
  detail?color=Fluorescent+White&finish=Lettra

These sites have variety! You can find some stuff which is designated for letterpress, but also 100 others that work just as well.

- PaperSource http://www.paper-source.com
- PaperWorks <a href="http://paperworks.com/">http://paperworks.com/</a>
- Utrecht http://www.utrechtart.com/
- DickBlick http://www.dickblick.com
- FrenchPaper http://www.frenchpaper.com/
- Neenah http://www.neenahpaper.com/

\*Note: you can buy Crane's Lettra here but they have a variety of other papers that would work!

The Paper Mill Store - <a href="http://www.thepapermillstore.com">http://www.thepapermillstore.com</a>

### **Envelope Options**

- PaperSource <a href="http://www.paper-source.com">http://www.paper-source.com</a>
- PaperWorks <a href="http://paperworks.com/">http://paperworks.com/</a>
- Cards & Pockets <a href="https://www.cardsandpockets.com">https://www.cardsandpockets.com</a> Unique shapes
- Envelopper- <a href="http://www.envelopperinc.com/">http://www.envelopperinc.com/</a> my favorite place to buy
- FrenchPaper http://www.frenchpaper.com/
- Neenah http://www.neenahpaper.com/
- The Paper Mill Store http://www.thepapermillstore.com/

### **Standard Sizes**

Will you want to frame something? It's easier to stick to sizes you can find frames for immediately rather than get a custom frame! Here is a link for some standard frames: <a href="http://www.logangraphic.com/how-to/framesizes.php">http://www.logangraphic.com/how-to/framesizes.php</a>

Will you mail it? Same goes! Here is a link to some standard envelope sizes: <a href="http://www.paper-source.com/pdfs/envelope-size-chart.pdf">http://www.paper-source.com/pdfs/envelope-size-chart.pdf</a>