

# BEGINNING WATERCOLOR - VIRTUAL CLASS SUPPLY LIST

## General

Paper or sketchbook & pen/pencil for note taking

## Drawing Materials

1 drawing pencil between 2H-4H

White plastic eraser (small stick style is best, large rectangle is OK)

Pencil sharpener

## Paper

10+ sheets, approx. 9"x12"

Inexpensive: Strathmore 400 Series Watercolor Paper OR Canson XL Watercolor Paper

Expensive: Arches 140 lb cold press Paper

*Buy the best paper you can afford, 100% Cotton Rag, Acid Free, 140 Pound is the best*

*Less expensive papers are made of tree pulp and can be difficult to work with.*

## Board

½" thick piece of Gator Board, 10"x13"+ or "[Grafix Artboard](#)")

Drawing Board/Clip Board

*Anything that you can tape your watercolor paper onto that is non-absorbent and is mobile.*

*(You'll want to be able to move your painting around, so taping directly onto a table isn't ideal.)*

## Palette

Ceramic dishes can work nicely (I like a plate to mix on, along with my palette with wells)

There are endless options, its very personal, but if you don't know what you want yet, get something with at least 10 wells and lots of flat spaces for mixing. Ceramic is best, metal is good, plastic is fine.

## Brushes

(You'll want a variety of sizes and shapes, a golden taklon set is a great place to start)

Large Round Brush: #8-12 Round, Small Round Brush: #4-6 Round, Large Square Shaped

Brush: ¾" Flat Wash or 1" Flat Wash, Mop Brush (very large soft brush)

## Paints

Yellow Ochre or Raw Sienna

Hansa Yellow (or Gamboge, Lemon Yellow, Cad. Yellow Light,) [aka "cool yellow"]

Alizarin Crimson (or Rose Red, Magenta, Quinacridone Red,) [aka "cool red"]

Cadmium Red Light or Medium (or Naphthol red, Pyrrol Red) [aka "warm red"]

Ultramarine Blue (or Winsor Blue, Thalo Blue) [aka "cool blue"]

Cobalt or Cerulean Blue (or Manganese Blue) [aka "warm blue"]

Thalo Green (or Viridian Green, Winsor Green) [aka "cool green"]

Sap Green (or Hooker's Green) [aka "warm green"]

Most pre-packaged sets of watercolor paints are also fine to begin with.

## Miscellaneous

Masking tape

Small spray bottle, [2 oz. size is nice](#)

Paper towels

Masking fluid (also called frisket)

Old/junky detail sized brush to apply it

Black waterproof ink pens