

B. Watercolor: Basics for Beginners

Spring 2024

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Thursday 9:00 – 11:45

Materials required – Supply list will be provided prior to first class

No textbook required

No Prerequisites

Course Description

Learn the fundamentals of watercolor in this step-by-step introductory class. From brush strokes, color blending and watercolor washes students will create transparent art in this fluid medium. This is a progressive process so regular attendance is beneficial.

Course Outline/Syllabus

- 1 Introductions -Discuss Required Art Supplies, Reference Materials
- 2 Watercolor Fundamentals – Brush strokes, Basic washes
- 3 Color Wheel – Limited palette, Value Scale, Neutrals
- 4 Composition – Rule of Thirds, Measuring, Scales, Proportion,
- 5 Thumbnails – Developing your picture
- 6 Techniques to add Texture
- 7 Landscape Components
- 8 Different Types of Surfaces
- 9 Day of painting
- 10 Still Life
- 11 Preparing to Exhibit – Matting & Framing
- 12 Color pencils & markers
- 13 Critique