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## **ABSTRACT STUDIO**

**Suggested Materials** 

This is only a suggested list. <u>Do not feel obliqued to purchase everything on this list</u>. When in doubt, bring less; it is easier to travel, and you can mix colors.

Sketchbook/Art Journal (any size) spiral bound, for note taking, sketching and playing

**Paint.** Professional-grade acrylic paint. Look for the soft body or medium thickness, or fluids. Good brands: Golden, Holbein, Liquitex, Utrecht, Winsor & Newton, Nova (available at <a href="https://www.novapaints.com">www.novapaints.com</a>. Nova is my preferred paint). Avoid craft paint and house paint.

\* If you are a beginner or traveler and have no supplies, ask about purchasing an **Acrylic Painter Starter Kit.** 

Your choice of colors. Here is a short list of starter colors to choose from:

Titanium White Alizarin Crimson Phthalo Emerald Green Carbon Black Quinacridone Magenta Sap Green Cadmium Yellow Medium Dioxazine Purple Perm Green Light Cadmium Orange Ultramarine Blue **Brunt Sienna** Cadmium Red Medium Phthalo Blue Raw Umber **Quinacridone Red** Cerulean Blue Payne's Gray

Optional. A few colors that pop. Some of my favorites:

Opera Pink Indian Yellow Yellow Ochre
Cobalt Teal Brilliant Yellow Green Gold Green

Fluorescent Red Florescent Orange

Mediums: gesso, gel medium (optional)

**Brushes.** Acrylic/synthetic combos. No smaller than 1" flat or round. Several 2" to 4" cheap chip bristle brushes (from the hardware store). Large and X-large brushes (e.g., mop brush, 5" hardware store brushes). Any others that are your favorite and feel good in your hand.

Mark-Makers: Your choice: pencils, graphite, oil pastels, acrylic pens, Woody pencils, gel pens...

**Paper:** At least 12 sheets (or a pad) of 140 LB or 300 LB cold press watercolor paper, 18" x 24" or larger. Gessoed with a thin layer of acrylic gesso on one side. Brush marks okay. Bring flat.

**Canvas:** Roll canvas (preferred, lets you paint big and easy to ship) OR stretched canvas:

- 1. ROLL: A roll of canvas, like Blick Premium Cotton Canvas Acrylic Primed, 72" x 6 yds. You'll cut the canvas to size, tack onto the painting wall, and paint on it flat. You can order and have canvas shipped direct to SFAG, or you can purchase at Artisan art store in Santa Fe (the day before the workshop). OR...
- 2. STRETCHED: At least 2 canvases per day. Stretched and primed. Your choice of size. Recommend mid-to large size: 36" x 36" and bigger. Can be square or rectangle. If you work fast, feel free to bring additional canvas.

**Optional** -- Don't feel like you need to buy these, bring what you may have on hand:

- Hand barrier cream or nitrile gloves if you have sensitive skin. I use thick hand lotion and wash with Dawn dish-washing detergent.
- Mixed media, like water soluble/aqua medium, pastels, crayon sticks, Derwent Intense blocks
- Drawing charcoal, graphite, colored drawing pencils
- Water spray bottle (large)
- Color wheel, color mixing chart
- Pallet knife, scrapers, spatulas, sticks, plastic cards (like your old credit card)
- Any other tools you'd like to experiment with

**NOTE:** Paper, paints, mediums, tools, etc... will be on hand for you to test drive before you buy.