

Emil Weil Watercolor & Pastels Materials List

NOTE: Please review materials list carefully as I will *not* be providing supplies kits for this class. I want to make sure you have everything you need!

STUDENTS SHOULD BRING TO CLASS:

Paper:

140 lb watercolor paper *no smaller* than 18" x 24"

- Paper suggestions: [Dick Blick Paper](#)
- Any watercolor paper is fine, Arches is higher quality
- Hot or cold press are both fine; hot press is smoother while cold press has a "tooth"
- 140 lb. is heavier so more durable. I would prefer you not bring 90lb. Anything heavier than 140 lb. is fine.
- If you bring loose paper, bring a board to tape it to (thumbtacks work, or artists tape: [Dick Blick Tape](#); please do *not* bring colored tape; beige masking tape works in a pinch but not well; watercolor paper pad eliminates the need to tape down paper)

Paints:

Daniel Smith triad:

- Quinacridone magenta
- Hansa Yellow Light
- Pthalo Blue (green shade)

This is my preference but any watercolors will do, just bring something close to primary colors.

Pastels:

Any assortment of pastels is fine. Sennelier and other companies have soft pastels with amazing colors but are crumblier. For this class, a harder pastel would be best unless you have experience with pastels and like the softer kind.

Faber-Castell are easy to handle and don't break as much as softer, more heavily pigmented pastels.

Bring latex gloves if you don't want chalky pastels on your hands.

Watercolor Brushes:

Bring the biggest brushes you've got! Smaller brushes make for worrying about fussy details. I will have several larger brushes if you need to borrow one.

Assorted:

- Clean rags and/or paper towels (I like cotton rags the best)
- Mixing palette, not too small. Here's my favorite mixing palette which is a porcelain tray (not for travel though): [Amazon Pro Art Butcher Tray](#)

Any white plate will do for mixing paint. Inexpensive white plastic mixing palettes work as well. In my studio if I'm working on a larger watercolor, I use clear, round plastic tubs you might get in a grocery store that contain take out.

- A few largish containers for water (like large yogurt containers).
- sketchbook and pencil for warm up exercises