



PAINTING THE PORTRAIT

Below is the (suggested) materials list. While all of these materials can be found at Opus Art Supplies, similar products from other stores are fine. No need to bring everything, simply bring what you would like to work with each class.

1) PAINT

Oil paints are recommended, although you have the option to bring acrylics.

- Titanium White
- Yellow Ochre Pale (or Yellow Ochre)
- Cadmium Yellow Pale
- Cadmium Orange
- Cadmium Red Medium
- Alizarin Crimson Red (or Permanent Alizarin)
- Raw Umber
- Burnt Sienna
- Ultramarine Blue
- *Optional:* Manganese blue, olive green, dioxazine purple, cadmium green light

2) MEDIUM

- Odourless mineral spirits (also known as Gamsol) - one small bottle
- Refined linseed oil - one small bottle

3) **BRUSHES**

Please bring a range of shapes and sizes. Feel free to bring whatever brushes you wish.

Steve recommends:

For Canvas: Both bristle & synthetic brushes can be used for canvas.

- 2 Bristle Filberts: size 4
- 1 Bristle Bright: size 10 or 12
- 1 synthetic filbert: size 4
- Synthetic Rounds: sizes 0, 2, 4 (1 of each)

For Panel: Synthetic (or Nylon) brushes are best for panel, as bristle scratches the smoother surface.

- 1 Flat: size 10
- 2 Filberts: size 4
- 1 Filbert: size 8
- Synthetic Rounds: sizes 0, 2, 4 (1 of each)

4) **SURFACE**

- Bring 1 gessoed hardboard or wood panel (recommended) OR canvas or canvas board: 11 x 14"
- Surface Prep: Add 3 layers of gesso.

5) **PALETTE**

- A glass palette is provided, although you are welcome to bring your own.

6) **PALETTE KNIVES**

- Any size, although we recommend the Liquitex 'Small Painting Knife' #8

7) **PAPER TOWEL**

- 1 roll of extra absorbent paper towel. We recommend 'Scott's Shop Towels' (blue or white), found at painting/ lumber stores.

8) **CLOTHING**

- Painting can be messy, please bring suitable clothing

9) **SKETCHBOOK**

- Any size (a small one is fine): used for taking notes and doing various homework exercises

Optional:

- Gloves
- Mahl stick
- Paint 'razor' scraper

What we provide:

- Easel, side table, chair/stool
- Glass palette
- Containers for your painting liquids
- Masking tape

**Optional Materials:* No need to bring these items to class, unless specified by the instructor.

If this is your first time working with any of these supplies, please refer to our Materials & Prep Guide by clicking [here](#).