



CONTEMPORARY
ATELIER

PAINTING THE CLOTHED FIGURE

This materials list consists of mandatory items, as well as optional items. Any additional materials that you already have in your artist's toolkit are always welcome. Suggested brand names are '*italicized*'. While all materials can be found at *Opus Art Supplies*, similar products and brands from other stores are welcome.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

Easels, drawing donkeys, chairs & stools, boards, paper clips, containers for liquids, masking tape, and saran wrap.

PAINT

Oils or acrylics are welcome, although oils are recommended.

Use '*artist grade*' paint instead of '*student grade*', if possible.

- Titanium White
- Yellow Ochre
- Cadmium Yellow Lemon (*or any bright yellow*)
- Cadmium Red Medium (*or any bright red*)
- Alizarin Crimson Red (*or Permanent Alizarin*)
- Raw Umber
- Ultramarine Blue
- Ivory Black
- Optional: Burnt Sienna, Kings Blue Light

NOTE: It is recommended to use '*artist grade*' vs. '*student grade*' paint. Affordable brands include *Holbein*, *Gamblin*, *Winsor & Newton* (not *Winton*), *Opus Essentials*, or *Kama Oil paint* (*Rath Art Supplies*), as well as *Rembrandt* (*DeSerres*). More expensive brands are welcome.

SURFACE

Steve recommends a wooden panel: 11" x 14" up to 16" x 20"

- Optional Surfaces: canvas or canvas board
- **SURFACE PREPARATION**: All surfaces require a total of 3 layers of gesso. Surfaces with gesso already included, please add 2 more layers, allowing to dry between layers.
- Try to minimize brush strokes in the gesso by using a soft, wide brush (*like 3" or wider*) and gently fan out the brush strokes.

NOTE: 'Beginner' painters, please go no bigger than 12" x 16".

PALETTE

OILS:

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

ACRYLICS: Optional

It is recommended to use a 'Masterson Sta-Wet' palette (16" x 12").

* [link to material](#) (click to open)

PAPER TOWELS & RAGS

- Bring one roll of 'Scott's Shop Towels' (*blue*).

Found at any commercial painting and lumber stores*.

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SKETCHBOOK

- Optional: Any size (a small one is fine).

Used for taking notes and doing various homework.

CLOTHING

- Painting can be messy, please bring suitable clothing.
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OPTIONAL

- Mahl stick
- Paint 'razor' scraper: To clean & organize your glass palette.
- Gloves (waterproof): For cleaning your brushes at the end of class.