Intermediate Painting: Florals in Acrylics



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Brushes:

It is good to have a variety of brushes of different shapes and sizes. Sets of brushes often provide variety; however, avoid the very inexpensive hobby brushes as they wear out quickly and easily breakdown. Brush sizes are listed by each manufacturer- they are not standard; however, size numbers can be similar. Some brushes to include in your art kit are:

One each of the following (eight brushes are ideal):

Round Brushes:

- Medium to large hog hair bristle # 6-12
- Medium synthetic #4-6
- Fine synthetic #0-2
- Very fine synthetic 3X0 (003)

Flat Brushes:

- Medium to large hog hair bristle 1"-2" width
- Small synthetic 1/2" width

Filbert Brushes:

- Medium to large hog hair bristle 3/4 width
- Small synthetic 1/4"width

Paint:

Student Quality: Liquitex Basics brand is a good student brand in 118 ml tubes and cost approximately \$7. Colours remain vibrant and they mix well. Tubes are easier to use than tubs. Note: "Heavy Body" paint is more opaque but can also feel dense and sometimes gummy. "Soft Body" paint can be too thin. It is best to have regular consistancy/viscocity.

Artist Quality: Deserres, Liquitex and Golden are good acrylic brands. They are often sold in smaller aluminum tubes approximately 59 ml as "Artist Quality" paint. This means the pigment (colour) in the paint is natural, richer, more steadfast and a little thicker.

Starting Colours:

- 1. Titanium White- because this is used often, you may want 2 tubes or a large tube.
- 2. Cadmium Yellow Light

- 3. Cadmium Red Medium
- 4. Alizarin Crimson Permanent
- 5. Hookers Green Hue Permanent or Sap Green
- 6. Ceurulean Blue
- 7. Ultramarine Blue
- 8. Burnt Sienna
- 9. Burnt Umber
- 10. Ivory Black

Additional colours for a more sophisticated pallet you may want to eventually add:

- 1. Yellow Ochre
- 2. Lemon Yellow or Hansa Yellow
- 3. Quinacridone Magenta
- 4. Phalocyanine Blue
- 5. Viridian Green
- 6. Deep Violet or Dioxazine Purple
- 7. Raw Umber

Acrylic Artist Kit Materials:

- Liquid Retarder for blending and to keep paint wet for longer
- Canvas Boards or Canvas: Please bring a 10" x 12" or 12" x 14" to the first class.
- Plastic or metal pallet knife: at least one diamond shape with bent neck
- Flat plastic pallet, glass pallet, or pallet paper pad: 10" x 12" or lager
- A roll of masking tape
- Spray bottle, water container, and painting rags or paper towel
- Apron or smock to protect clothing.
- Drawing pencils HB, 2B, 4B, eraser and sharpener, small amount of drawing paper or sketchbook.

Stores in Halifax that sell acrylic painting supplies:

- NSCAD Art Supply Store Granville Mall, Lower Level, 1874 Hollis Street
- Deserres Art Supply Store on Barrington St.
- Michaels in Bayers Lake