VMFA Studio School

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Introduction to Painting

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Bring any painting supplies that you have. This list is a guideline.

Soft willow or vine charcoal, assorted sizes. (Several sticks for drawing on canvas)

Canvas or panels: 2-9" x 12"s, 5-11" x 14"s OR 12x16"s (you can buy a couple to start.)

Gamsol is the best thinner with lowest odor. Turpenoid in the Blue & White can is OK too.

Thinner CUP or any small or medium glass jar with lid.

Do NOT bring hardware store solvent – the fumes are too strong. You can reuse solvent if you use a glass jar with lid.

OIL PAINTS - The Winton line by Windsor Newton is the best value. (Hues are fine and less expensive.)

Yellow Cadmium Yellow OR Cadmium Yellow Light

Yellow Orange Cadmium Yellow Medium

Red Orange Cadmium Red Light **OR** Vermilion

Blue Ultramarine (any variety regular, deep or French)

Blue Green Prussian blue Green Sap Green

Burnt Umber Burnt Sienna Yellow Ocher

White Titanium White (GET A LARGE TUBE!) Winton Brand, Winsor Newton

BRUSHES Natural or Synthetic Bristle: I recommend a range of sizes like those listed below. There is a pack of lots of brushes for \$16 at Plaza Art Supply.

Note: Oil brushes have long handles and size 4 has bristles ¼" in width. If you are just starting out buying sets is more economical. **Avoid soft red sable or soft white synthetic.**

Bristle Round BrushSize 0 or 1Bristle Filbert Flat or RoundSize 2Bristle Filbert or FlatSize 4Bristle Filbert or FlatSize 6

Bristle Filbert of Flat Size 10 or 12

Palette You can bring a roll of wax paper and masking take to tape to the studio tables. Large wood palettes are fine. I discourage white palettes.

Paper Towels – Good Quality required, purchase Bounty or Viva.

Art Supply Stores:

Plaza Art Supply – 927 Grace Street (near Harrison) 359-5900. They give a student discount. Parking in their lot or on the street.

AC Moore, Michael's & Hobby Lobby – more expensive and don't offer a student discount.

Online: Dickblick.com, ASWexpress.com, Cheapjoes.com, and Utrechtart.com

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