

## Intro to Gouache – Instructor Maria Reardon – Supply List

Gouache is pronounced “gwash”. It is a water-based opaque paint similar to watercolor paint. The opacity gives the artist the flexibility to layer paint from dark to light, clean up edges and correct mistakes. It is a forgiving medium that dries quickly, allowing for layering without the danger of creating mud. The colors are vibrant and velvety. It is easy to use and all that is needed is water, to rinse brushes and to clean palettes. When finished painting, there is no worry about smearing wet paint because of its fast drying time.

### Suggested Supply List:

- . Gouache Paint Colors: The basic colors to have on hand are Titanium White, Ultramarine Blue, Winsor Red, Permanent Yellow and Ivory Black. Additional colors that are very useful to have are Yellow Ochre, Burnt Sienna, Permanent Green, Alizarin Crimson, Orange, Phthalo Blue and Cobalt Blue.
- . Watercolor palette to use to mix paints
- . Watercolor paper pad, either a spiral bound pad or a watercolor paper block, size 9x12 or 12 x16 or similar size.
- . Synthetic watercolor brush, short handle flat, size  $\frac{1}{4}$ ",  $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 1" and round size 4, 6.
- . Water and container to put water in, a plastic yogurt container works well
- . Paper towels
- . Sketch pad and pencils