BETSY JACARUSO STUDIO Intro to Watercolor Beginner Workshop (5-hours) *If you would like us to provide supplies please reserve ahead of time for a fee of \$20*

Support your local Art Shop if you can! **Rhinebeck Artist Shop** offers our students **20% off** supplies. Please note, **Michaels** does not carry most of the supplies here. Online alternatives are **CheapJoes.com** and **Blick.com**



PALETTEYour palette is where you store your paints AND it has a surface where you will mix colors. There are many options to choose from.

Betsy's favorite – John Pike Palette or similar

HOW TO SAVE? Find something with a lot of mixing space, and a lid to keep your paints from dripping during travel, with at least 6 wells for paint. Try to avoid palettes with individual/removable containers for paints. If you need extra mixing space you can use a flat plate.

PAINTS

REQUIRED (5 Paints below)

- Cadmium Yellow Pale
- Permanent Rose
- Cobalt Blue
- Payne's Gray
- Shell Pink

PAPER

** For this workshop you will need either a full sheet of watercolor paper (22" x 30") which we can cut into quarters OR you will need at least 3 sheets of the equivalent of "quarter" sized paper from a pad or block. Roughly 11"x14" **

140. lb cold-pressed, 100% cotton rag *(IF IT DOESN'T SAY 100%, IT IS NOT)....* Recommended brand: Arches (best) Fabriano, Langton

HOW TO SAVE? Purchase **full sheets** of paper (22x30") which can be cut/torn into four quarters. These will be in a flat file at the art shop, or you can purchase online. We will likely only use one sheet in the beginner series.

You can also buy a **pad** or **block** of paper. Pads are single sheets glued on one end which need to be mounted. A block is glued all the way around so that you can paint directly on the block without mounting it to a board.

MOUNTING BOARD

Recommended size: 16"x20" or smaller, but must be 2" larger than your paper.

You can use **foam board**, **cardboard**, **or Gator Board** (Betsy's favorite, from Cheap Joe's). Required **IF** you are working from a sheet or loose paper. ***If you are working from a block you do not need a mounting board.***

B R U S H E S (2 brushes needed)

1 Round Brush Size 10 (or similar)

Any basic watercolor round brush with a good point. It can be synthetic or sable. *Suggestions*:

Princeton Aqua Elite Series #4850 size 12 (preferred)

Princeton Velvetouch #3950 10 round

Princeton #4050 Size 10 Round

Faux Kolinsky Round 10 DYN36961

1 Large Flat Wash Brush 1-1.5" Preferably Natural hairs mixed with synthetic.

Great options at the Art Shop:

Princeton Neptune Square Wash 1"

Da Vinci Petit Gris Mix Flat Wash 1" Size 18

Princeton 1" Flat Wash Style #4050

Cheap Joe's Brush \$9.19

Betsy's favorite brush:

Da Vinci Cosmotop Mix Flat Wash size **20**, natural hair with some synthetic ***We stock these occasionally at our studio for sale. <u>Check here</u>***

OTHER MATERIALS

- White Masking Tape. **TIP: You do not need "artist tape," you can get this from the hardware store inexpensively. Avoid blue painter tape and also avoid very thin tape**
- HB Pencil + Sharpener
- Gum or Kneaded Eraser
- Paper Towels

Overview Checklist

- Palette
- □ Watercolor Paint
- Board
- □ Watercolor Paper
- Brushes
- □ Masking Tape
- Paper Towels
- □ HB Pencil
- □ Eraser