

## **Workshop detail:**

In this workshop, on the first day, students will be asked to paint from a photograph provided by the instructor. They will learn the approaches I take in my paintings from start to finish. Depending on the students' skill levels, we might establish a composition for them to paint from life on the second day of the workshop

## **Material Lists:**

This materials list provides guidelines but is not mandatory. If you have more experience, use this list as a reference and feel free to work with your preferred materials.

### *PASTELS*

Pastels can be expensive, and I don't expect you to buy large quantities for my workshops. The following are my recommendations for the best workshop experience:

Bring your pastels of choice, a minimum of 150 pastels with a good range of colors/values.

My favorite pastel brands are Girault, Great American, and Art Spectrum.

I use CARAN D'ACHE pastel pencil for adding details to my paintings; it's not necessary for the workshop but good to have. Any other brands works as well.

### *PAPER:*

I use Pastelmat Sheet Paper, usually buying a 27.5" x 19.5" sheet and cutting it in half for two good-sized paintings. If your paper is not mounted on a board, be sure to bring a backing board to support it. I usually use natural-colored papers mostly light Grey, depending on the subject. We are going to alcohol wash the paper.

### *Isopropyl alcohol*

### *Paper Towel*

### *One brush to use for alcohol wash.*

### *Final Note*

### *Tape, Bring a Beige or white tape to mount your paper to a board*

### *Board*

I use a Masonite panel a couple of inches larger than my painting to mount the paper on it. Discovering the materials that work best for you is a process of experimentation, unique to each artist, and takes time. Taking a workshop is the perfect time to try something new.

Use this list as a guide, not as exact requirements, for your material selections. I purchase my pastel supplies from Dakota Pastel, either online or by visiting their store in Mount Vernon, WA:  
<https://www.dakotapastels.com/>