Supply List for Large Canvas Painting with Diana deMeuse (cell: 224-277-3042)

Generally, for beginning artists, it's tempting to buy cheaper art supplies, specifically paints; oil and acrylic. DON'T DO IT! There isn't real savings as the quality of pigment in the paint is poor. I don't recommend student grade, please purchase professional grade paints!

If starting from scratch, I recommended the following colors for versatility in mixing, but by all means, if there are colors you love that are not on the list, please indulge!

THESE BRANDS ARE RELIABLE: GAMBLIN; WINSOR & NEWTON; WILLIAMSBURG; OLD-HOLLAND CLASSIC

Titanium White
Paynes Gray
Cadmium Yellow
Cadmium Yellow Medium
Cadmium Red Medium
Alizarin Crimson
Ultramarine Blue
Cerulean Blue
Kings Blue
Sap Green
Cadmium Green Light
Dioxazine Purple
Burnt Umber
Raw Sienna
Yellow Ochre
Naples Yellow

Paint thinner brands for oil paints: Gamsol or Turpenoid

Brushes:
I recommend buying large brushes, either from an art store or the hardware store. They can be bristle or nylon, just be sure they are for your medium type (acrylic, oil, watercolor) Blick makes a good in-house brush. If you wish to work with painting knives, pick a variety of sizes.

Canvas sizes, 30" x 30", 30" x 40", 36" x 36", 36" x 48" or larger (be sure it fits in your car!) Purchase quality canvases with staples on the back, not sides, or a large piece of gessoed canvas for painting on floor or wall.

A 2" palette knife for mixing.
Spray mister for water when using acrylic paint as it dries quickly.

Disposable palette paper, LARGE.

POCKET COLOR WHEEL

Old medium sized jars for paint thinner or water. Please make sure the lid is water tight.

Two rolls of good quality paper towels.

Toning your canvas: I recommend all students tone their canvases with acrylic paint you can purchase cheaply in jars (this is the only time to use cheaper paints). Choose from either Naples Yellow, Orange, Red, or Blue.

MOST IMPORTANT: Bring your smile and good cheer! This is the time to enjoy and relax and let the creative process flow.