

## FRAN VAIL BEGINNING WATERCOLOR ZOOM SUPPLY LIST

1) **Paint** Winsor & Newton, Sennelier, Danial Smith, or Holbein brand of Artists tubes, NOT student or academy grade (8 ml/.27 U.S. fl oz).

Permanent Rose, Ultramarine Blue or Cobalt Blue, Cobalt Turquoise Light, Prussian Blue, Winsor Yellow (not lemon yellow) or Primary Yellow (sennelier), Raw Sienna or Yellow Ocher, Payne's Grey or Neutral Tint

\*If you wish, these colors are useful though NOT essential: Burnt Sienna, Hookers Green, Opera Pink or Rose

2) **Brushes** (a decent quality is essential but they don't need to be sable) watercolor brushes have shorter handles than oil brushes.

#6 and #10 round watercolor brushes with good point. 1/2 inch and a 1 inch flat, this can be synthetic. My flats are inexpensive synthetics from Michael's, not expensive!: #4 Rigger Brush (has long hairs) I prefer Utrech rigger #4.

Note: Do not buy Asian bamboo ( called sumi-e) brushes unless they are quality, or the hairs can break/fall out and mix into your colors during use.

3) **Paper** for beginners: Strathmore 140 lb. Watercolor Cold Press, Series 400, 12 sheet pad with spiral binding: size 9" x 12" or larger.

Arches 140lb. cold or rough press; it's more expensive and if you are just starting out you may want to use the less expensive paper first. You will soon find that Arches, ( or other cotton rag paper) makes your painting much easier. If you choose Arches, get a pad, not a block which has black binding glue on 4 sides. It's much more expensive and you don't need this feature.

4) 1 **palette**, can be metal or plastic rectangular for watercolor with mixing wells. min. Size 7" x 10" (This will be your mixing palette and can store leftover colors for future use. A small round palette with round wells doesn't have enough room for your paints and mixing area also.

5) **Masking Fluid**. I prefer FineLine masking fluid pen supernib-fine tip. This allows very fine lines and is easy to control. Masking fluid in a jar is hard to apply accurately and ruins your brushes.

6) **One #2B pencil** or a mechanical pencil, and soft **eraser** (BIC is fine and not expensive)

7) **One wipe cloth** or Viva **paper towels** or face tissues without lotion

8) **Two water containers**. I use Deli containers. We have many containers available in the classroom.