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## Watercolor Class Supply List

If you already have watercolor supplies, bring them along! If not, don't worry—I'll provide what you need for the first few classes while you begin building your own collection.

If you plan to purchase supplies, please use this guide to make informed choices and avoid unnecessary spending. These are the tools that will help you succeed and enjoy the painting process.

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### Basic Supplies for Beginners

- **Spray Bottle**

Used to keep your paints and paper moist while working.

- **Watercolor Paper**

We typically paint 11" x 14" or smaller.

Recommended: 22" x 30" sheets of Arches 140-lb cold-press watercolor paper (available in a 3-pack at Michaels for about \$40).

Note: We don't use pads or blocks in class, but if you already have them, we'll make it work! Paper can also be purchased in class. Sheets will be cut down to size.

- **Backing Board**

Bring a firm surface to tape your paper to—cardboard or foam board sized for 11" x 14" works well.

- **Masking Tape**

Use non-colored masking tape to create clean, crisp borders around your artwork.

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### Professional Watercolor Paints

*Tube paints only—no dry cake sets please. Avoid student-grade brands like Artist Loft or Winsor & Newton Cotman.*

Recommended brands:

- Winsor & Newton **Professional** (NOT Cotman)
- Holbein
- Daniel Smith (*except Burnt Sienna*)
- Maimeri Blu

### Starter Colors (must-have):

- Permanent Rose
- Lemon Yellow
- Cobalt Blue
- Burnt Sienna (*Winsor & Newton only—avoid Daniel Smith for this color*)
- Ultramarine Blue
- Sap Green
- Dioxazine Purple (*also known as Carbazole Violet or Winsor Violet*)

## Optional Colors (add gradually):

- Payne's Gray
  - Prussian Blue
  - Indian Yellow
  - Yellow Ochre
  - Cadmium Yellow
  - Neutral Tint
  - Quinacridone Gold
  - Cobalt Teal
  - Opera
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## Palette

I use the **IN n Art** brand palette (around \$38 on Amazon), but any large palette with many wells will work. For starters, you may use one of mine or purchase a pre-filled, smaller palette with professional colors for \$30. As your skills grow, you'll want a larger palette customized with your favorites.

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## Brushes

Bring any watercolor brushes you already own. Loaners are available in class.  
If purchasing new:

- 1" Flat brush
- Rounds: Sizes 10, 12, and 14
- Liner brush

**Recommended brand:** Kingart Original Gold 9000 series (available at [kingartco.com](http://kingartco.com))

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## Where to Buy Supplies

### Local Stores:

- Guiry's
- Meininger's
- Michaels

### Online Retailers:

- Amazon
  - [jerrysartarama.com](http://jerrysartarama.com)
  - [dickblick.com](http://dickblick.com)
  - [walmart.com](http://walmart.com)
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Let me know if you have any questions about specific items or where to find them—I'm here to help!