

PAINTING ABSTRACTLY WITH COLOR THEORY WITH MOLLY LASTRA

DESCRIPTION

Students will learn basic and intermediate skills for color mixing, color theory, mark-making applications, and the development and execution of an abstract acrylic painting on canvas. We will also explore a variety of acrylic mediums.

SUPPLY LIST

- Acrylic paint – Students are encouraged to bring any colors that they already have, but will need red, blue, yellow, white, and black. Primaries should be as close to the cadmium medium hue as possible. Additional helpful colors include phthalocyanine blue (green shade), phthalocyanine green (blue shade), viridian green, alizarin crimson, quinacridone magenta, pyrrole orange, and cadmium yellow light.
 - Suggested brands include Golden Heavy Body, Liquitex Heavy Body, Blick Studio, Amsterdam Standard, and Chroma Atelier. Avoid Liquitex Basics, Blickrylic Student Acrylic, and fluid or craft type paints, as these brands and types have a different opacity, viscosity, and lightfastness that can be difficult to work with. If you already own acrylic paint in these brands and/or types, bring them with you along with primaries and black and white from one of the suggested brands.
- Acrylic medium – although it is not necessary, an acrylic matte medium is encouraged.
- Brushes – Students are encouraged to bring any brushes they already have, but will need an angular bright (6), bright (2, 8), round (4, 6, 8). Feel free to get more shapes and sizes as well.
- Palette – disposable palette pad is recommended. Avoid sizes smaller than 12" x 16".
- Palette knife – Students can bring palette knives they already like and/or use. Knife can be plastic or metal, bent handle/traditional shape and size (metal is a little easier to use and will last longer, but plastic is more affordable and better for beginners for trying different shapes and sizes)
- Water cup – one to two ounces for washing brushes
- Towel – any type of rag or old tshirt for drying brushes
- Canvas – Cotton, pre-stretched. Profile depth does not matter. Size options include 12" x 16" or 16" x 20". Square or rectangle variations within a couple of inches (10" x 10", 10" x 20", 11" x 14", 12" x 12", etc.)
- Tabletop easel – Make sure your easel will accommodate your chosen canvas size!

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