

ACRYLIC KICKSTART: ART SUPPLY LIST

- Acrylic Paint (tube size/ 4 oz) / Start with a basic student-level set that includes: Titanium White, Primary Yellow, Primary Red, Primary Blue with optional additional colors: Burnt Sienna, Burnt Umber, Viridian Green, Payne's Gray or Neutral Black. Liquitex "basic" acrylics, it is a very good student grade paint. You may use any brand that you wish; Michael's carries their own "Artist Loft" brand. If you want additional colors, you may use them as well. As the class progresses, I will share various metallics and unique finishes.
- Mediums / You will need a container of Gloss medium (8 oz or larger) for the Glazing technique. There are additional acrylic mediums that can be purchased and I will share their characteristics in class; they include: Heavy gel medium, Pouring medium, Acrylic retarder and Modeling paste or textured paste as well as Gesso (painting ground).
- Brushes / You will need easel brushes suited for oil or acrylic paints (Synthetic brushes work great for acrylics); I would recommend a 1/4 inch, 1/2 inch and a 1 inch flat brush. Watercolor brushes have much softer bristles and can also be used with acrylics. If you own watercolor brushes, you can bring them. You will also need a container for water, tuna fish cans work great or a plastic butter tub is fine (no glass). Additional brushes purchased can be Bright brushes: similar sizes as flats, Round brushes: small and medium.
- Surface/ Please purchase a Mix Media sketch pad for daily assignments (recommended 14x17 or 18x24 size). Our first exercises will be on this heavy grade paper, good for acrylics and wet media. You may eventually wish to paint on canvas panels or stretched canvas.
- Palette / Purchase a palette to store and mix paint, I would suggest a 6 well or a 10 well palette.
- Palette knife & Painting knife / You will need a metal or plastic knife for mixing paint and applying paint to the surface via the Impasto technique. Old credit card / plastic scraper (for layering texture), Surface texture tools (toothbrush, comb, silicone tip tools).
- Markers / You should have a pencil as well as a fine line permanent Sharpie.
- Optional items / Apron or old clothes, latex gloves, Exacto Knife & cutting mat, misting spray bottle (keeps paint workable), masking tape or painter's tape. In planning your final painting, you may consider these items: Canvas panels, Stretched canvas or Wood panels.



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