

# Animal Illustration

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In this class we will focus on water media. You may already have some of these materials at home. Places you can shop **online** are Dick Blick, Jerry's Art O' Rama, Amazon, and E-Bay. If you are still going in person, Artists and Craftsmen Supply in Hillcrest is still available, as is Dick Blick.

**T Square (about 18-24" or what you have)**

**Graphite Pencils: ( have a range of pencils) 2b, HB, Staedtler is my favorite brand**

**Caran d'Ache graphite -stick 6B**

**Kneaded eraser, white latex type eraser**

**Xacto knife**

**Lint roller**

**Masking Tape ¾" or drafting tape**

**A watercolor palette (see my photo examples)**

**Fine Point Permanent ink marker pens like: Sakura Micron, or Staedtler brands, in a few sizes, like .01, .02, .03 (the bigger the number the larger the point, but a .05 would be the largest I would use).**

**A plastic water container**

**A blow dryer**

**Tube Watercolors:** Cottman, Grumbacher, Yarka or other beginning brands or paints you may already have. (Not Reeves) **(Color list attached)**

**Pan Sets:** If you are just getting started with watercolor, and/or on a tight budget you can try an inexpensive set like Yarka Pans or Tubes. Do not buy Reeves. **About 18 colors are good to start.**

**Wax Based Colored Pencils and watercolor pencils** will be discussed in class and are optional.

**Paint brushes:** If you already have brushes, send me images and I can tell you if they will be acceptable. I like the blended fiber brushes and synthetics. Here is info on watercolor brushes: And you will just need a few rounds Like a #4, 6 and 8 or 10 round. and a flat. (See my photos)

***Examples: Tried and True Brands (moderately priced)***

***See Blick brands***

Robert Simmons Sapphire (my favorites)

Robert Simmons Sienna

Robert Simmons White Sable

Princeton 4050 Series

Winsor Newton Cotman Series (good student brushes)

Cheap Joe's Home brands

**Papers:**

**Watercolor paper:**

1. **Arches cold pressed watercolor pad.** 9X12 or 10X14". These are 140lb sheets. You can use sheets of paper as well, if you cut it to size.

2. **Canson Montval Watercolor Paper,** 12X14 If you want a cheap practice paper. Get it in a book form, not a spiral.

**Drawing paper:** You should have drawing paper available for you to work out your compositions. (example: Strathmore Drawing Pad).

**Drawing Board** Masonite, or Ampersand **Hardbord Panel** - 14 x 18", Flat Panel

OR Any drawing board you already have at home. You just want it to be about an inch bigger than your paper all the way around. (be creative).