**BASIC WATERCOLOR SUPPLIES (2024)**

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**Paints:**

I mainly use Winsor & Newton (professional grade) watercolors. Da Vinci, Grumbacher, M. Graham, Sennelier, Holbein are also excellent brands. If price is a factor, either Winsor & Newton Cotman or Grumbacher Academy are good student grades to begin with.

For the widest range of color mixtures, a basic paint palette should have a warm & cool of each of the primaries.

1. Cadmium Yellow Medium or New Gamboge (warm)
2. Lemon or Aureolin Yellow Light (cool)
3. Cadmium Red Medium or Winsor Red (warm)
4. Alizarin Crimson (cool)
5. Permanent Rose
6. Pthalo or Winsor Blue (cool)
7. Ultramarine Blue (warm)
8. Burnt Sienna
9. Sap Green Permanent

 **Other Optional Colors: [*Designated with \*]***

1. \*Permanent Rose
2. \*Hooker’s Green
3. Cerulean Blue
4. \*Cobalt Blue
5. \*Burnt Umber
6. \*Yellow Ochre or \*Raw Sienna
7. \*Gouache White (for creating snowflakes or covering mistakes or experimenting)

**Brushes:**

Soft, sable blend or synthetic – (W&N Septre series 101 round, & 995 flat are good choices)

 #4 round #6 round \*#8 round #12 round One-inch flat

\*2-inch flat (if painting large, a must!)

\*1 or 2 small, cheap brushes (to apply masking solution)

**Paper:**

Very important. Cheap paper = disappointing results. Arches Cold-press (CP) 140 LB can take a lot of abuse! Fabriano, Kilomenjaro (CP) also are very good brands. Experiment – different papers can produce different effects.

**Other supplies:**

Sketchbook (white, medium size)

Graphite pencils (2B, 4B, 6B)

Kneaded eraser

\*Vine or willow charcoal

Masking tape

\*Regular, soft kitchen sponge

\*Value/view finder

Palette to hold paint *[John Pike is my favorite, but there are many other good ones]*

\*Masking Frisket

[The following are provided in-class]

\*Water container

\*Paper towels &/or cloths

\*Spray bottle

\*Backboard

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