MIXED MEDIA PORTRAITS with CAREN GINSBERG

COURSE SUPPLIES

Below is a list of the supplies that I will be using for the projects in this course. However, you are always encouraged to use what you have on hand.

By no means are these musts, they are simply a byproduct of my personal experience of numerous years of experimentation, trial and error. I have a passion for all kinds of tools and materials but it is important to note that you can create something quite monumental with the most modest of tools. It’s not so much about the tools themselves but about how you use the tools. I do always recommend getting the best quality you can afford. Fewer tools, of higher quality, will serve you better. The primary supplies you will need for this course are paper, acrylic paint, medium, paint brushes and a variety of pencils, pens, charcoal, crayons.

**Paper:**

- 1 Sheet - Coventry Rag 22x30, 290 g, White or BFK Rives Print Making Paper, 22 x 30, 250g, White. I have cut it into two pieces, each size 14 x 17.
- For practice exercises I use a less expensive mixed media pad of paper such as Blick Mixed Media Studio size, 14 x 17.

**Acrylic Paints:**

I use Nova color (a local brand), Golden Acrylics and Utrecht. In this course, I will be using the following paints:

- Cadmium Red Light Pure (Utrecht)
- Quinacridone Red (Utrecht)
- Cadmium yellow Light Pure (Utrecht)
- Cobalt Violet (Holbein)
- Carbon Black (Golden)
- Mars Black (Utrecht)
- Titanium White (Utrecht, Golden)

**Gesso:**

- White (can use Nova Color, Golden, Liquitex)

**Mediums:**

- Golden Acrylic Glazing Liquid, Satin and Liquitex Matte Medium (you do not need all of these. I use them, but again, use what you have.)

**Brushes, Color Shapers and Palette Knives:**
The key here is variety. i.e. fan, long handled, round, large, flat, filbert. You need to try a few different types of brushes to see which you like best. There is no right or wrong. Also, experiment with different shapes and sizes of colour shapers, palette knives and brayers.

**Mark Making Tools:**
A Variety of pencils, pens, crayons, charcoal (i.e., Staedtler, Stabilo, Caran d'Ache Neocolor II Artists' Crayon, General's charcoal)

**Miscellaneous:**

- palette paper
- spray bottle
- container of water
- paper towels