

Encaustic Explorations

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SUPPLY LIST

Required: 6-8 wood or fiber substrates (6x6, 8x10,) – or any non-warping, rigid, absorbent material, lumber scraps OK, heavy watercolor paper, ceramic tiles, bisque tiles, etc. During the learning process you do not need fancy surfaces. I demo on heavyweight cardboard, glazed tiles and bisque tiles to keep the cost down and in the long run are beautiful glued to a wall.

If it's hard for you to find encaustic paint don't worry, we can make it work as long as you get the beeswax.

1lb beeswax (white refined or natural yellow prills). I sell the White prills for \$20.00 a pound.

Brushes: a couple small and medium bristle, can be cheap bristle ones from your paint or hardware store. One hake brush, 3-5inch for base coats. My favorite is Mandalay from Jerry's Artarama.

Wax paper, Reynolds Wrap non-stick foil (for saving your drippings), 1 bread baking pan for melting your beeswax, a couple small mini bread pans for melting your paint and sketch pad for idea sketches and notes. Dress for mess!

Optional:

Encaustic paint: One or two colors of encaustic paints. Bring an old painting or drawing for week three to rework under 10" x 10" any medium. Small mirrors - dollar store. Oil sticks, soft pastels, stamps, pressed flowers or leaves from your favorite plant, dry or live.

You may want to bring your own mark making tools: ceramic tools,

Linoleum cutters, single edge razor blades with handle, dental, & culinary.

A few favorite photographs which have been duplicated on a black/white

and/or color copier (week two) – some might be enlarged to completely cover a panel you bring.

Various collage materials including special papers, string, dried natural materials and objects. Ink jet on heavy weight mat paper can be glued (SOBO glue) on hardboard prior to class and then waxed on with beeswax. I share my tools, irons, torches, a couple colors of oils and paper for collage.

RESOURCES FOR SUPPLIES:

Beeswax: Swans Candles <http://www.swanscandles.com/store/beeswax.html>

My favorite art store if you get in the city is Artist and Craftsman. I love there birch cradled panels, Elephant brand. Another favorite is Genesis Art Supply on Elston near Fullerton.

Hake Brushes: <http://www.jerrysartarama.com/discount-art-supplies/brushes-and-palette-knives/watercolor-brushes/hake-brushes/mandalay-professional-goat-hair-hake-brushes.htm>