

Nancy Tankersley

Keeping It Fresh: Painting Figures from Photos

- Bring whatever medium and supplies you are comfortable with...oil, acrylic, pastel, watercolor, etc. I am most competent in oil paint and pastel, but I can help with drawing and design in any medium.
- Please bring a tarp or drop cloth.
- Bring the colors and brand of paint or pastels with which you are comfortable.
- In oil paint, I suggest that you bring white, a warm yellow (cadmium yellow), a cool yellow (cadmium lemon), a warm red (cadmium red light), alizarin crimson, and ultramarine blue. Optional colors are burnt sienna, phthalo blue, viridian green and any black.
- In pastels, bring a large assortment, including all the primary colors.
- Oil painters MUST bring an ODORLESS thinner/brush cleaner such as Gamsol.
- Medium is not really necessary but if you like to use one I recommend Galkyd by Gamblin or Liquitex.
- An assortment of bristle brushes ranging from small to large (at least 1- 1&1/2 inch wide at the ferrule) I like filberts but it is useful to have at least one or two brights and one or two small pointed sables. A rigger is also useful for those final accents and for signing your canvas.
- For pastelists, a kneaded eraser.
- For the first two days we will do numerous quick sketches so bring 8 – 10 inexpensive supports no larger than 9 x 12. If you have questions about what to use, call me at 410-770-8350 or e-mail me at nantank@aol.com.
- For the second two days we will work on more completed paintings so bring a canvas or paper that you like to use. I would suggest no larger than a 12 x 16 for any medium. Bring at least two.
- You will also need:
- Portable easel
- Palette
- Brushes (For cleaning oil from brushes I recommend Turpenoid Natural. You can bring a small jar of this and clean your brushes each day without having to wash them with soap and water. We don't have a utility sink at the studio so would prefer that you use this method or clean your brushes at home)
- Paper towels
- A bag for trash
- Photos of figures to paint.