

## Alan James Materials List 2025

\*All materials are supplied by students

### **Paints:**

**Tube paints only!** Brands I recommend: Winsor & Newton, Holbein and Daniel Smith

**My personal palette:** French Ultra Marine, Cobalt Blue, Cerulean Blue, Pyrol Orange, Light Red, Alizarin Crimson, Cadmium Yellow, Yellow Ocher, Payne's Grey, Burnt Sienna

**Palette:** A light, portable folding palette is recommended.

**Brushes:** Quality brands designed for watercolor with good snap and point. I use kolinsky sable and quality synthetic rounds (#6, #8, #12) (1/2" and 1" flat) large), natural or synthetic \*Pointed quill mop brushes Princeton Neptune makes a good synthetic Quill #8 or larger, a thin liner or rigger for small details.

**Paper:** rough surface; 140Lb (300gm) or heavier; professional quality. I use Bao Hong and Arches

**Paper Size:** 11" x 14" or 12"x 16" Block is the most practical in my workshops & classes.

Drawing board, gatorboard, corrugated plastic or plywood.

Masking tape, clips, or staplers to secure paper to the board

Pencil (2B)

Eraser: Kneadable eraser.

Sketchbook or drawing pad for sketches (optional)

A container for washing brushes (Yogurt container, Tomato can etc.)

Paper towels, for controlling water to pigment ratio.

Household sponge for controlling water to pigment ratio.

Lightweight easel for en plein-air painting. (En Plein Air classes only)

If you're considering a new easel purchase anyway, here's what I use for both indoors and outdoors: [www.enpleinairpro.com](http://www.enpleinairpro.com)

Please come prepared with all materials provided here in the materials list.

### **DO NOT PURCHASE STUDENT GRADE MATERIALS!** \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact me ahead of time if you need assistance or are having trouble finding materials.

I will do my best to accommodate you by providing hard to find materials if necessary.

Examples of student grades to avoid: Cotman Paints, Wood Pulp Papers,

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