



Smithsonian Associates

DRAWING TECHNIQUES: PERSPECTIVE

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SUPPLY LIST

As you consider supplies, you'll find vast differences in cost, value, size, etc. but art does not have to be expensive or overwhelming! I've made some recommendations below but for this beginner class, you are welcome to use whatever materials you're comfortable with.

Required:

1. Pencil: Anything you have on hand that erases fully will work. You may notice me using a Bic mechanical pencil and kneaded eraser.
 - a. If you want to really dive in, a small set of graphite pencils of varying lead hardness might be fun. Faber-Castell has a nice 3-pencil set rated 2B-6B. Blick sells a 4-pencil set rated HB-6B. Both sets come with a sharpener and eraser.
2. Pencil sharpener if needed
3. Eraser: I love a kneaded eraser, but you choose what you like.
4. Fine-tip technical pen: Micron, Sharpie, Pentel are all good choices
5. Vellum or tracing paper: 1-2 sheets
6. Paper
 - a. For warm-ups and sketching, any old thing will do.
 - b. I'd recommend paper with a little bit of weight (80lb+) and a little bit of tooth (avoid hyper-smooth paper made specifically for markers). You can use a sketchbook or loose sheets (roughly 6-8 sheets).
7. Straight-edge ruler
8. If you're feeling adventurous:
 - a. Drafting triangle, L-square or T-square
 - b. Materials to add color (colored pencils, etc.)
 - c. Different kinds of eraser (kneaded, pink, rubber, etc.)