



Instructor: Kat Honey

Course: F25APBOR, Abstracted Portraits in Collage and Mixed Media

MATERIALS LIST

CORE Materials:

Basic Tools

- Pencils and erasers.
- Ruler.
- Colour wheel.
- Masking Tape (Painter's preferable — good for temporary holds).
- A sketchbook lots of blank pages (for painting custom collage papers).
- Camera (your phone is perfect).

Basic acrylic paints:

The instructor suggests at minimum the primaries plus black and white, and a good minimalist option might be a warm and cool version of each primary, ie:

- Cadmium Yellow Medium and Lemon Yellow or Hansa or Cad. Yellow Light
- Cad. Red Medium and Alizarin Crimson or Quinacridone Magenta
- Phthalo Blue Green Shade and Ultramarine Blue
- Black
- White

Drawing materials

- A few options such as: nib pens and ink, pigment liners, paint markers, coloured pencils, etc.
- Your sketchbook and some larger 18"x24" drawing paper.

Cutting Tools

- Scissors.
- Your choice of knives and cutting mat.

Glues

- Most work can be done using simply a glue stick. The instructor recommends the brand UHU. Have 3-4, and make sure they're not old and dried out.

Additionally, liquid acrylic medium also works very well as a glue, especially when collaging to surfaces painted with acrylics -- it comes as gloss and mat -- the gloss dries completely clear, whereas the mat dulls colours down, especially in layers, so it is



suggested using gloss for all your layering, and then a final layer of a mix of gloss and mat as a final coat to get the amount of shine desired on finished pieces.

Substrates

You will need some somewhat heavy paper to use as bases for exercises.

The instructors recommends an inexpensive block of watercolour or mixed-media paper (140 lb.) 9"x12" – 12"x18". Canson XL and Fabriano 1264 are both great options. You can use any cardstock, heavier drawing paper, mat board, bristol board, mayfair cover stock, illustration or mat board, etc.

A few sturdier and/or larger substrate options for sustained projects: Larger sturdy paper, wood panels, illustration board, etc.

Collage Materials

Can include: images, patterns, colours, textures, magazines, newspapers, books, packaging, painted papers, gift wrap, specialty papers, tissue papers, coloured papers (from cheap construction paper for quick, fun stuff to fancier Japanese papers, etc), fabric scraps, old paintings, etc.

Don't forget your own personal photos — either ones you have on your computer or ones you go out and take.

The instructor will also bring bins of materials you can use. If you have materials to share with the class, contributions are always welcome.

(Note that great places to find old books and magazines for collage materials)

Reference Images

You will need portrait reference images to work from at least some of the time. These can be images you find in books and magazines, online, and/or your own photos, drawings or paintings.

OPTIONAL Materials

Ink-jet printer (at home). While this is optional, they are so inexpensive these days, and there is a wide variety of visual material available on the internet just a quick search away.

Tweezers – if you like working with small pieces

Scrapbooking paper pads: Can be found at Wal-Mart or Michaels — you can find some great solid colours, textures, patterns, etc. and they're often acid-free



ONLINE Image Sources:

Three resources for copyright-free images (either to use as reference or to print and use as collage materials) are:

[Unsplash](#)

Beautiful, free images and photos that you can download and use for any project.

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