

Gel Plate Printing Workshop – Printing without a Press

Materials List

Instructor: Deb Drummond

Note: There is a modest \$5 materials fee payable to me during class. This will cover extra materials and papers I bring for you to try out.

Gel Plate- Gelli Arts™ or Gel Press™ plates OR homemade: **(Not Speedball-contact me if you have are not sure which brand you have.)**

Minimum 6 x 6" - 8 x 10 or 11 x 14" are good. Available at large craft stores or online: Blick (<https://www.dickblick.com/products/gelli-arts-gel-printing-plates/>), Michaels, Amazon or direct from the manufacturers at Gelli Arts (<https://www.gelliarts.com>) and Gel Press (<http://gelpress.com>)

Brayer- 4" recommended Gelli Arts, Gel Press or Speedball SOFT rubber speedball brayer.

Acrylic Paint- Any regular fluid or tube acrylic paint, student or professional grade. A few transparent colors are nice to have (Quinacrodone, Pthalos, etc.). *****Golden OPEN and printers inks dry too slowly for this workshop.**

Papers to print on - Bring to class any of the below you have: Plain ol' Copy paper, sketch paper, tracing paper, vellum, bristol pads, watercolor or printmaking paper (ex: Rives BFK). Rice paper, mulberry, tissue papers, deli papers and parchment papers (available on Amazon or Blick for example). Pre-printed papers and painted papers - maps, sheet music, magazine pages, papers from the recycle bin, etc. Colored papers such as construction or Canson.

Old sketch book or other papers for rolling off excess paint.

(These make excellent collage material!)

Cleaning: Rags or Paper towels, rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer.

Spray bottle for water, Masking Tape, Scissors /xacto

OPTIONAL:

Baren for rubbing the paper on the plate. <https://www.dickblick.com/products/blick-economy-baren/>.

Acrylic markers like Posca Pens, gel pen, pan pastels, stencils, etc.

String or thread, ribbon, empty thread spool, silicon potholders or sink mats, pieces of window screening, stencils, combs, bubble wrap, Q tips, etc.(Nothing sharp that might cut the plate.)

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions: artofax@gmail.com