

# Supply List for The Visual Diary - Drawing from Life

## **Sketchbook:**

You may use any sketchbook that you are comfortable working with. Please, *no pocket size books*. Your sketchbook should be hardbound. *Coiled ring spine are not recommended for this class*. **Size should not exceed 6"x10"**. **Paper weight should be about 65 lbs**. The pages should be able to handle a light watercolor or Tombo wash. **I use "Moleskine" (5" x 8 1/2") 120 pages**

Available at Artisans, Staples, or online art stores like CheapJoes.com, [www.dickblick.com](http://www.dickblick.com), Michaels, Amazon, etc. Keyword "Moleskine". **No ruled or graphed pages unless approved by Vasili.**

## **Other sketchbooks:**

Handbook Journal (@ Artisans)  
Fabriano Eco Series (@ Artisans)  
Strathmoore 400 series  
Canson, field watercolor book  
Pro Art 5x6  
Canson, mixed media journal (horizontal)  
Handbook, field watercolor book

Pentalic Traveler 6x8  
Arches, watercolor book  
Daler-Rowney  
Stillman & Birn Alpha  
Stillman & Birn Gama or Epsilon 5-1/2 x 8-1/2  
Aquabee, Quick rough sketchbook  
Bienfang, or SoHo

*Note: Some of these products may not be available.*

## **Black ink pens:**

Sharpie medium or fine, any of the Pilot pens (I use "Precise v-7 & v-5"), Tombo monoball, Flair, Rapidographs, etc. Anything that you are comfortable sketching with and will not bleed when moistened.

**Pencils & Erasers: three will be used: HB, 2-B, 4B or 6B. Kneaded eraser.** Color pencils, pastel pencils, graphite sticks, Conte crayons, etc. are optional additions.

*Viewfinders & redfilters are optional*

**Workable Fixatif. AquaNet hairspray, Glassine, or tissue paper (to protect pages from smearing).**

**Compressed charcoal (one stick)**

**Equipment for field trip:** *Keep your toolkit simple* and keep it light. A zippered pencil case can accommodate most of what you will need in the field. A small backpack or tote works well to carry water bottle, jacket, etc. We will NOT use Pochade boxes or easels. Cell phone cameras can be used for documentation. Small portable stool/chair, or seat cushions are recommended, but not mandatory.

**Field trip(s):** Dates & Locations will be announced.

**First class will meet at the Art League. Please bring only your sketchbook, pens, pencils and erasers to the first class.**

