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Understanding Color with Susan Ploughe
Saturday and Sunday, October 24 & 25, 2026
9:00am-4:00pm

Class starts promptly at 9:00am. Please be set up & ready to paint by then. (Doors open at 8:30am)

SUPPLY LIST for Oil Painters

Paints - *This is what I currently have on my palette, you do **not** need these exact colors. If you have other colors that are regularly on your palette, please bring them with you. We will discuss when/why to use them. As an alternative to the list above, you could work with a limited palette of the starred colors.*

- Titanium White*
- Cadmium Yellow Light*
- Cadmium Orange
- Cadmium Red Light*
- Thalo Red Rose (Grumbacher)
- Alizarin Crimson Permanent*
- Dioxazine Purple
- Ultramarine Blue*
- A greenish blue (like Cerulean Blue Hue, Prussian, Thalo, etc.)
- Viridian (or Phthalo Green)
- Sap Green
- Yellow Ochre
- Burnt Sienna
    - *I use either Grumbacher Transparent Oxide Red or Gamblin Earth Red instead because they are transparent, but burnt sienna is fine, too*

Surfaces

- Canvas Sheets
    - *Mainstreet will have them (16x20) for purchase, as needed throughout the workshop. I want you to use sheets instead of boards or stretched canvases; the finished exercises will be easier to carry with you to refer to in the coming months. If you are bringing your own canvas sheets, they can be smaller than 16x20. Even 9x12 is fine).*

Brushes

- **Bristle Brushes -** *these are stiff enough to hold a good amount of paint*
    - You won't need very many, just bring a handful
    - We will use sizes 4, 6, and 8
    - Flats will work best for some of the exercises; but filberts are fine too
    - If you have some softer brushes, bring several of them too.

Tools & Other Items

- Color Wheel
    - *You can purchase these from Mainstreet*

- Large Board to tape canvas sheets to

- Making Tape
    - Must be neutral color, not blue. Mainstreet doesn't have this for use, so please be sure to have it in your bag.
- Solvent
    - Completely odorless (Gamsol mineral spirits or solvent from Mainstreet)

- Painting Knife - the kind where the blade is offset from the handle (see image)

- Palette
    - Preferably not white, but if that is all you have, don't worry about it

- Paper Towels