**Botanical Drawing: Materials List**

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**Basic supplies list :**

1. HB and H (hard) pencils, white eraser, kneaded eraser, pencil sharpening tools
2. **Paper**:
   1. Smooth surface watercolor paper pad (the one that has the fewest number of sheets, e.g. 15): Blick, Canson or Strathmore.
   2. Mixed media paper with smooth surface or thick drawing paper, white. It will be our main drawing surface.
   3. Some sketching paper and some scrap paper to try the colors.
3. **Colored pencils** set 36+ (the more the better), e.g. Blick Studio, Prismacolor Premier or Scholar, Staedtler, Koch-I-Noor, Faber-Castell, or other. The set that you buy should have different types of gray, e.g. Warm Gray 60%, 30%, 90%, French Gray, Cool Gray, and many types of green. If there aren’t such colors in your pencil set, you can buy single pencils in art stores like Blick or Play Time in Arlington.
4. Colorless pencil blender (Prismacolor, Blick or other brand)
5. Watercolor paints. Can be purchased as a watercolor paint set, in small pans, or in tubes. Please do not buy children’s and school-quality watercolors. A 10-12-color paint set in small tubes is good, as it usually has the needed colors.
6. Plastic palette.
7. Brushes: soft synthetic brushes, round # 1/2, 6; one or two small flat brushes. Winsor & Newton Watercolor Brush Set of 5 is a good example, but you can buy more affordable synthetic brushes.
8. Fine-point technical pens of different sizes: 0.1 – 0.5 (Micron, Prismacolor, Staedtler, Faber-Castell, Stabilo). Black color or sepia.
9. Ruler – regular size.

**Additional/Optional materials:**

* Watercolor pencils (any brand you like)
* Drawing board and masking tape to stretch the paper

We are not going to use acrylics or oil paints in this class.

You don’t need ALL these materials on your first class. You can come with only colored pencils and mixed-media paper, or any thick drawing paper. We’ll discuss your further steps.

**Where to buy supplies:** Blick Art Supplies (dickblick.com, or stores in Boston and Cambridge), Michael’s, Discount art supplies store in Central Square, Cambridge (on Mass Ave, opposite Blick), Play Time in Arlington.