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Value Does all the Work but Color Gets All the Credit

April 7 - 9am - 3pm & April 8 - 10am - 3pm

In this oil painting class we will explore the role of value vs color. We'll start by doing some very basic value studies and progress to using color. The aim of this class is to give you some experience in dissecting a scene or photo, being able to start a painting and continue the painting to a degree of finish. We will paint several studies and some basic color charts exploring the role of color palettes in paintings.

For substrates you can use canvas paper, gessoed paper, or gessoed panels. I will have available gessoed mat boards 7.5" x 10" (\$1 each). These are what I use to create value studies.

I use the following oil colors but you can bring the colors you like to use:

Titanium White (PW6) • Cerulean Blue (PB35) • Ultramarine Blue (PB29) • Alizarin Crimson (PV19 or PR83) • Cadmium Red Light (PR108) • Cadmium Yellow Light (PY35) • Hansa Yellow (aka Arylide Yellow) (PY3) • optional colors: Black, Burnt Sienna, Prussian Blue, Burnt Umber, Yellow Ochre.

My go-to dark value mix uses Ultramarine blue, Alizarin crimson, plus Cad yellow light or Hansa yellow. If you want to use black for your value studies that's ok, too. In general I don't use black on my palette but many fine artists do. And I did use Ivory Black to create some value study samples for the class.

For this class you'll need:

- Palette knife
- Oil paints - see colors above or bring what you have
- Brushes: bristle brushes like Robert Simmons Signet filberts and or flats, sizes 6 or 7 or 8 and up, if you have them. Bring what you have. The bigger the better unless your brushes are for wall painting;-)
- Substrates: Canvas paper, 10 sheets per pad, so if you get the smallest pad (9x12") you may want to buy two pads. <http://www.dickblick.com/products/cansonfoundationcanvapaperpads/> or gessoed mat boards or gessoed mdf (medium density fiberboard)
- Paper towels (I really like VIVA for painting)
- Masking Tape (makes a tidier sample painting but you don't have to do it this way - 1/4" or 1/2" is great for this).

We'll take a break at noon each day so bring a sack lunch or order from Jackie's takeout menus.

