Learn to Paint. Yes, you can!
Supplies List

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1. A ground or surface to work on. You have several choices in this matter.
   • Stretched Canvas--This is the traditional surface for painters to work on. You can sometimes buy inexpensive stretched canvas at Big Lots
   • Scrap wood--if you choose this option, paint the wood white with acrylic gesso or acrylic paint. Do not use latex house paint or oil paint to prime the surface.
   • Artist board six pack--http://www.dickblick.com/zz089/13/
   • Canvas board--good choice, readily available.
   • Regular cardboard--the brown surface is interesting, it's free and it's durable.
   • No matter which surface you choose, make sure your ground is at least 18”X24”.

2. Brushes
   • Buy a set of Chinese made (i.e. inexpensive) long-handled artists' brushes that contains both flats and rounds.
   • Also, buy a set of soft-bristled, large house painter's brushes.

3. Paint
   • In this class, we will paint with acrylics. Acrylic paints are the choice of most modern artists. They clean up with soap and water and dry quickly. Choose acrylic paints that are labeled as either "basic/student/budget" grade or "fluid".
   • Make sure you have at least the following colors: red, blue, yellow, brown, a large tube/bottle of white, a small tube of black. If you like the color purple, buy a pre-mixed shade that suits you since it's hard to mix a nice purple. If you buy other colors, choose those which appeal to you! There are no "right" or "wrong" color choices.
   • Make sure your paints represent a wide range of values, from dark to light.
   • You can also experiment with metallic and fluorescent paints, interference colors, etc.
   • Follow your interest when choosing materials.

4. Other Supplies Needed
   • A palette. The best: http://www.utrechtart.com/Masterson-Sta-Wet-Palette-Seal-Airtight-Palette-Storage-MP-03020-001-i1005904.utrecht
   • Palette paper to line your palette: http://www.utrechtart.com/Masterson-Sta-Wet-Premier-Palette-Acrylic-Palette-Paper-Film-Refills--30-Sheets-MP-03029-002-i1005910.utrecht
   • A sponge to put into your palette: http://www.utrechtart.com/Masterson-Sta-Wet-Premier-Palette-Sponge-Refill--Single-Pack-MP-03029-001-i1005311.utrecht
   • A bar of lava soap for cleaning your brushes
   • Some sort of means of transporting all of this stuff to class--many people use a tackle box.
   • Palette knife if you're interested in impasto work.
   • A spray bottle filled with water.
   • A large pad of watercolor paper at least 18"X 24”