

Arts & Design Supplies

Course: Portraiture

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YOU WILL NEED:

Drawing Board

This can be purchased ready-made, or you may use a heavy piece of Masonite or 1/4" plywood and Bulldog clips. Make sure it's close to the same size as your pad of drawing paper.

Paper

It's important to experiment with a variety of paper types. Have a large pad of newsprint or cheap white drawing paper, and a selection of several large sheets of better quality paper as well. Better paper can range in price from .50 per sheet to over \$10.00 per sheet. We will be discussing the nature of paper in class.

Mark-making Materials

- Vine charcoal (soft): This is a versatile and forgiving medium, which we will be using for most of the work, we do in here.
- Compressed charcoal (optional): Compressed charcoal is much blacker and heavier than vine charcoal, but it cannot be erased, so it's applications are different.
- Graphite pencils: Graphite is graded by softness, and the softer it is, the darker it is. 8B is the softest. Don't bother with anything harder than 2B.
- Graphite block or "woodless pencil"
- Conte Crayons (optional): These work best on a tinted paper.
 - Black
 - Sanguine (a rust color)
 - White
- Pen (optional)
- Brush (optional)
- Ink (optional)
- Blending stumps (also known as tortillons): Buy several because they must be dedicated. In other words, the one you use with graphite must never be used with charcoal, etc.

Other Items

- Sandpaper
- Lead pointer
- Chamois: The real thing, not an imitation.
- Kneaded eraser: Get the large size.
- Small can of workable fixative (optional)
- Sharpie
- Little sketch book: Small and portable enough to be carried with you every day. This will be your sketch diary.

Bring this list to the art store, they can be very helpful and often times there may be a 10% discount at some stores if you are a BC student as well. Also, all basic materials are available at the BC main campus bookstore (TEL: 425-564-2285 or check out the website for store hours: <http://bcc.collegestoreonline.com/>).