Introduction to Encaustic

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Supply List

Prepare an Encaustic Tool Kit to include the following:

* Scissors
* A metal spoon
* A roll of sturdy paper towels
* Set of inexpensive wooden handle natural bristle paint brushes assorted sizes, flats and rounds.

*(Example: Artists Loft from Michaels - sets may also contain a few synthetic brushes, which is fine). Michaels usually has a 40% off weekly coupon available at* <https://www.michaels.com/coupons>*)*

* Either 4 or 5 Xerox or laser copies (not ink jet) of images or drawings on non-glossy paper, color or b&w, for image transfer exercise. These should be of your own work or open source images. We will be using either 6x6 or 4x4 inch panels so keep size in mind. Think impact vs space and try to avoid portrait and landscape images. (If an image contains text, you will want to reverse the image before printing so the text is legible after transfer).
* Any items you already have that can be used to carve, shave or texture the wax with.

*(Examples: pottery tools, dental tools, kitchen utensils, cookie or petit four cutters, razor blade or exato knife, darning needle, ice pick, linoleum block carving tools, small flathead screwdriver, plastic mesh bag, bubble wrap, string, etc.)*

* A few soft lint free cotton rags or a chamois. (I use a cut up white t-shirt)
* Small spray bottle for water. (A recycled bottle is good!)

Any additional items you may already have from the list below. You do not need to buy any of these, but if you have any of these items handy, you may want to throw them in your tool kit.

* Frog Tape or Blue Painters tape
* Freezer Paper
* Oil Paint, Oil Pastels, Oil Paint Sticks, India or Alcohol Inks, color pencils, watercolor pencils.
* Stencils
* Kozo, Mulberry, or any handmade paper, tissue paper, decorative paper napkins, etc.
* Watercolor paper or postcard stock