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Beginners' Watercolours

Tutor: Jacky Gooding

Dates: Wednesday 17/09/25 - 03/12/25 (excluding29/10/25)

Times: 10:00-12:00

11 Weeks

Course Information & Teaching Methods;

This course is designed for complete beginners or those who wish to refresh their skills by practising the basics. The course will introduce you to your watercolour kit and cover core techniques like watercolour washes, colour mixing, stretching paper and how to use sketches and choose colours for a successful composition. We will use examples, demonstrations and warm-up exercises to introduce each topic and make paintings starting from landscapes, light and shade and autumn trees. Plenty of individual help will be given throughout the course.

Equipment;

Please do bring any watercolour materials which you already have, although some watercolour paints will be available to borrow.

Paper is available to purchase in the art room.

The tutor will provide brushes to borrow for the first session and advice will be given for purchasing your own. If you do this before the course, please make sure they are of a good quality.

Additional Information;

Tea, coffee and biscuits are available in the kitchen area, for a small charge.

About the tutor;

Jacky has been one of our tutors for a number of years. She studied painting at Bath Academy of Art and gained the Art Teacher's Certificate at Goldsmiths before teaching at Bedford High. Jacky has continued to develop her own work and exhibits locally.

Please adhere to the regulations concerning Personal Protective Equipment & Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) and how they apply to the course or accommodation and to any 'Safe System of Work' as advised by your tutor.

In addition to the Centre's legal responsibility, students also have the responsibility to take care of the Health and Safety of themselves and others.