

Course: Oil/Acrylic Painting: Abstracting the Real

Instructor: Frederic Kaplan

Days/Dates: 10 wks, Fridays, 2/6/2026 - 4/10/2026

Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Room 463 / Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building

128 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102 (*Use Student Entrance on Lenfest Plaza / Cherry Street*)

MATERIALS:

Experienced students may use the oil painting or acrylic painting materials of their choice. For less experienced students, the following is suggested to get started. Additional materials may be needed as the course progresses. For questions, email kaplanpicturemaker@gmail.com.

- Painting surfaces of various sizes (nothing smaller than 9" X 12")
- Soft vine charcoal (to draw on canvas) and workable spray fixative to protect drawing
- Oil/acrylic painting palette or palette pad
- Palette or painting knife (metal with offset handle)
- Soft paper towels or lint-free rags
- Natural bristle brushes: suggested are #10 flat, #8 bright, #6 filbert, #4 filbert, #2 filbert
- Soft-haired brushes in several sizes and shapes

Oil Painters only (in addition to above):

- Odorless paint thinner (quart, min.)
- Painting medium or refined linseed oil (pint suggested)
- Palette cup (double)
- Clean glass jar with lid (spaghetti sauce size)

Acrylic Painters only (in addition to above):

- 1" & 1/2" flat watercolor wash brushes
- Acrylic painting medium (matte medium suggested – pint or larger)
- Large container for water (quart cottage cheese container works well)
- Retarder (optional – small container)

PAINT COLORS – this is a minimal suggested list

(NOTE: Colors labeled as "hues," such as "cadmium red hue," are imitations of the genuine color and are acceptable for my classes.)

OIL PAINTERS (Traditional oil paints)

- Titanium White (large tube)
- Cadmium Yellow Lemon
- Cadmium Yellow (Medium)
- Cadmium Red (Medium)
- Alizarin Crimson
- Ultramarine Blue
- Phthalo Blue – Green Shade
- Ivory Black

ACRYLIC PAINTERS (Heavy Body colors)

- Titanium White (large tube)
- Hansa Yellow Light
- Hansa Yellow Deep
- Naphthol Red
- Quinacridone Crimson
- Ultramarine Blue
- Phthalo Blue – Green Shade
- Ivory or Bone Black