

DAY THREE

Kathy Beekman – Dramatic Skies: A Soft Pastel Workshop

Duration of Class: One Day (**6 hours**)

Medium: Soft Pastel

Skill Level: All

Description: THIS workshop is an opportunity for you to paint from a place of confidence and joy, get lost in the painting process, learn about your natural environment AND create skylscapes that you're proud of. As an added bonus, you will also develop your creative voice while getting in touch with your artist heart.

With many demonstrations, experimentation, and plenty of individual instruction, you will learn Kathy's fingerpainting techniques for achieving dramatic sky paintings. This is not your average art workshop. It is a tactile sensory experience full of support, encouragement and loads of experimentation.

Goals:

- Learning to fingerpaint with soft pastel through layering and blending techniques
- Understanding the science behind clouds and colors in the sky
- Creating artwork that reflects the artist's personality
- Becoming confident with the subject at hand as well as in the use of this medium
- Recognizing elements of design

Student Supply List:

- Basic 12-color box of Soft Pastels (**NOT oil pastels!**) A box with a larger pastel stick count is always acceptable. (Recommended pastel brands: Diane Townsend or Terry Ludwig Pastels)
- 2 – (or more) sheets of paper (Recommended paper brand: Rising Stonehenge in any color)
- Your own photos of clouds and skies
- Can of a pastel final fixative (not a workable fixative)
- Container of Wet Ones or Baby Wipes to easily clean your hands

Optional:

- Dust Mask which will provide adequate protection against dry pigments and most dusts
- Disposable Latex Gloves for protecting your hands from pastels
- Newspaper, glassine, or kraft paper to protect your paintings during transport

- 2 sheets of 22 x 30 cardboard taped together on one side (so that you can transport your paintings safely)

The following are good resources for artist materials:

Online catalog at dickblick.com. Allow 5-10 days for regular delivery

Meiningers located in Denver at 499 Broadway, 303-698-3838

Terry Ludwig Pastels located in Littleton, CO, 303-795-1232 or on-line at

www.terryludwig.com. Please tell Terry that your art instructor Kathy Beekman sent you.

Provided by Instructor:

If you choose to do so, sheets of black colored Rising Stonehenge paper will be available for purchase from the instructor at a cost of \$10.00 per 22 x 30 sheet.

Class Size:

Min # of students: 5

Max # of students: 15