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## **Textured Watercolors Class – Animal Portrait**

### **2-day Workshop**

**Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1:30-4:30**

**Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00-1:00**

**Sagebrushers Art Society, 117 SW Roosevelt Avenue, Bend, OR**

**Cost: \$90 (total)**

Learn to paint an animal portrait with watercolors in a unique, textural manner, using gesso and collage on a hard surface. In this 2-day workshop, you will create your own textured surface, use the basics of composition and color theory, and paint an animal of your choice on your textured surface. You will learn how to convey fur and blend colors to create convincing eyes, noses, ears, etc. Beginner through intermediate. 8 minimum, 15 maximum.

#### Materials List:

- Tubes of your favorite watercolors (no dried pans/cakes)
- White gouache
- Hard board, Plexiglas, or other hard surface on which to paint (between 8x10 – 12x14 in size)
- Palette (make sure you have plenty of flat surface area...even a plate would do)
- Brushes of various sizes, both flat and round, include wash brushes and small flat acrylic brush
- Gesso (I prefer Dick Blick Artist's White Gesso)
- Sponge
- Items to collage: Paper, tissue, etc.
- Tools in which to create texture in the wet gesso(read notes on this below)
- Liquid mask and applicator
- Watercolor paper
- A detailed photo of your pet (dog, cat, mouse?) or another animal, preferably close-up.
- Tracing paper
- Pencil

At least 2 days before class, coat your hard board with 2 coats of gesso. This allows the gesso time to dry completely and won't take up precious class time. Any type of hard surface will work to paint on, even Masonite from the hardware store, as long as it is relatively smooth. Artist's Aquaboard or Clayboard is a great option and available at Hobby Lobby or Michaels (or Amazon, etc.). Please coat it before class as mentioned above.

As far as texturing tools, bring items in which to scrape into the wet gesso. For instance, plaster tools, scraping tools, or anything that might create a depth of pattern.

To join, please print out the enclosed form and send with a check for \$90 to my address on the top of this letter. Make the check payable to Sarah Hansen.

You are welcome to bring a lunch or a snack on Saturday. SageBrushers has a refrigerator and microwave for your use.

Email me to join and let me know if I can answer any questions. Can't wait for the class to begin!

See you there!

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