**Urban Sketching: Just Jump In**

**With Richard Scruggs**

**Materials List**

Richard’s demonstrations will be done with pencil, pen & ink, and watercolor. The process explored, however, will be applicable to any medium and you are encouraged to bring your favorite materials.

As you think about your supplies think “portable”. Large paint palettes, big water containers, loose leaf paper, etc. can become unwieldy.

**Required: You need something to sketch in…a sketchbook**

* **Suggested size:** Avoid small books for this class. Suggested size, depending on brand, is 5.5”x8” or 8” x 10” or an A4 or A5 size. Anything smaller will be harder to work with in this workshop.
* **Orientation:** Landscape format is recommended because of the subjects we’ll be sketching.
* **Paper:** The paper should be suitable for your medium (watercolor, markers, pencil, etc.). For watercolor, 140# or heavier paper is recommended. For markers, make sure they won’t bleed through the paper.
* **Cover:** Weather permitting, we’ll do some work outside. A hard bound sketchbook is easier to work with in these situations. Spiral bound books are acceptable but not recommended as we may do sketches that cross pages.
* **Recommended Brands:** Etchr, Stillman & Birn, Hahnemuhle, Strathmore, Moleskin

**Required: You need something to draw with…pens and pencils regardless of your chosen medium**

* **Pencils:** B or 2B for general drawing
* **Pens:** Waterproof black fine liner pens in sizes 005, 01, and 05 plus a black brush pen, recommended brands are Prismacolor, Micron, Faber Castell, and Copic.

**Other Required:**

* Plastic ruler or straight edge
* White rubber eraser

**Optional depending on your Medium:**

* **Watercolors:** a travel palette loaded with your favorite colors, brushes or water brush, water container and bottle of water, paper towel.
* **Fountain Pen:** Lamy Safari or similar pen with a fine or medium nib, loaded with waterproof ink. Suggested ink brands include DeAtramentis Document ink and Platinum Carbon ink.
* **Markers:** Set of your favorites
* **Colored Pencils:** Set of your favorites along with a pencil sharpener
* **Graphite Pencils:** Set of your favorites along with a pencil sharpener

**Other optional:**

* Specialty pens: I’ve found it useful to have white, gold, and silver pens with me for use on urban features like signs.
  + White – It is hard to find a great white pen. Lately I’ve been using a Signo by Uniball. Other brands are Gelly Roll and Pentel Milky Pop.
  + Gold and Silver – Signo by Uniball is a good pick.
* Folding stool for outdoor work
* Something to carry it all in when we go outside. I use a messenger bag. Some use backpacks. Whatever works for you.
* Organizers, like plastic pouches or boxes, to hold pens, pencils, etc. in your bag.