25-A209: Pen & Ink - Birds of the World

ELLA Spring Session 2025 Art Supply List Instructor: Susan Casault

Create a series of small pen & ink drawings featuring birds from around the world. Draw raptors, shorebirds, and songbirds, as well as exotic birds from other countries. We will explore line, textures and values using different ink techniques. You are welcome to add a bit of colour to some of your drawings if you prefer. Instruction will include demonstrations as well as individual guidance. Photo reference will be provided by the instructor. All levels welcome.

Please bring to class:

Paper: 15 pieces of approximately 8" x 10" Bristol (smooth) paper. Large sheets of Bristol paper can be cut into several pieces, or you can purchase a Bristol sketch pad (closest size would probably be 9" x 12") It can be Bristol plate (smoothest) or Bristol vellum, any brand.

Pens: 3 black, permanent ink pens, sizes .05, .01, and .005 are suggested. (eg: Micron fineliner) You can experiment with different pens if you have them, so bring them along.

Colour Medium, optional: If you decide to add a bit of colour to some of your ink drawings, you can bring some watercolour pencils (suggested), watercolour paints, or coloured pencils with you. If you bring watercolour pencils or paints, please bring a small container for water with the lid (eg: sour cream or yogurt) and a small paint brush that goes to a point (eg: Verona, #4 round, is a good size)

1 HB graphite pencil

pencil sharpener

1 regular eraser (to erase pencil lines)

1 sand eraser (to erase pen lines)

Students have the option of drawing their image freehand with pencil, or tracing it using 1 soft graphite stick (3B or 4B) OR 1 sheet of grey or coloured **erasable** transfer paper (eg: Saral or Mona Lisa). Erasable transfer paper can be purchased from the instructor for \$2. (Please have exact change)

Brush (called an eraser or drafting brush) - optional

Tape (green painter's tape suggested) - optional

We will be working on tables, but if you prefer to work at an angle please bring a small drawing board or small tabletop drawing easel.

When purchasing supplies at an art store, take your class receipt. They may give you a student discount. Some art stores in Edmonton include Colours Art and Framing, Delta Art and Drafting, The Gilded Rabbit, and The Paint Spot.