

Guidelines for a Productive and Enjoyable Workshop

1. Arrive on time immediately engage in the process of setting up your work area.
2. There will be time to chat and share your latest work, but class time is precious. Help everyone make the most of it by starting at the appropriate time
3. If you arrive late and a demonstration is already in progress, find your seat and focus on the demo. You can prepare your work area later.
4. Keep your “stuff” within your allotted workspace. If you carry your supplies in a large or bulky carrier, once you have set up your workspace, place it out of the way of yourself and others.
5. When your instructor is speaking, give them your full attention. What they are saying is most likely going to make a difference in your artistic growth. Make the most of your time with them by listening to them.
6. When you do have the opportunity to share or ask questions, don't be shy.
7. Don't hesitate to paint during class time because you aren't as good as your neighbor! It may be intimidating to reveal your skill level by trying things in class but those who fully engage in all class activities learn more quickly than those who are too shy to try. If you are stuck or frustrated, share this with your instructor.
8. Expect your artwork to be disappointing as you are developing your skills in class. For every poor result, a learning experience has taken place. Look at those pieces not as failures but as stepping stones on your path to becoming the artist you want to be!
9. Laugh at your mistakes, understanding that it takes a lot of dreadful artworks to begin producing really good art!