Robert Burridge Workshop

Abstract Acrylic Painting and Collage Workshop

Creative tearing and paint splashing starts off this all new “Loosen Up Workshop.” Also you will learn how to begin a new fresh body of work with your own artistic voice and point of view. Think “artist retreat,” producing a body of work, a series of paintings or your conceptual solo show.

Robert Burridge, along with his famous daily handouts, demos and lectures, helps and guides you to paint the way you have always wanted to paint. Daily, you can expect warmup paint sketching, brief painting and lecture demos, constructive critiques and plenty of time to work on personal projects. Come prepared to paint your stuff!

Suggested Materials List - This is only a suggested materials list. Do not feel obligated to purchase everything on this list. Bring what you think you will need and use.

1) Paints: Any professional-grade acrylic paint (no cheap, student grade paints). Your choice of colors.

Burridge will be painting with Holbein Artist Acrylic paint - colors to match his Goof-Proof Color Wheel, plus black and white.

- Pyrrole Red Light
- Hansa Yellow
- Cad Green Deep
- Ultramarine Deep
- Amethyst
- Opera
- Marigold
- Middle Green
- Compose Blue #1
- Compose Blue #2
- Primary Magenta
- Carbon Black
- Titanium White
- Optional: Transparent Holbein Acrylic Fluid Paint
- Marigold
- Quin Magenta
- Cobalt Blue
- Quin Red


Note: “Color Comparison Chart” for other professional paint brands available on my website.

2) Brushes: Acrylic/Blend combos, 1” Flat or Round. Several 2” and 3” cheap chip brushes. (hardware store) NO FOAM BRUSHES.

3) For cleaning brushes: Murphys Oil Soap, “Original Formula.” (grocery & hardware stores)

4) Surfaces: Per day you may need up to 2 Full Sheets of 140 lb. or 300 lb. CP watercolor paper, pre-gessoed (thin layer of acrylic gesso - brush or trowel on one side only, let dry) Brushmark texture is okay; do not sand smooth. Bring flat - do not roll up. I recommend Fabriano Artistico or Cheap Joe’s Kilimanjaro Watercolor Paper, 140 lb. or 300 lb. CP.
IMPORTANT: For First Day Preparation - Bring 10 pre-gessoed 12x12 inch 300# Watercolor Paper sheets. Bring your gel medium and at least 2-3 large sheets of black tissue paper or black rice paper.

Optional: Also, small pre-gessoed canvases - as many per day as you want. (should fit on your painting table)

5) One pint of thick white professional acrylic gesso. Used as both gesso and white paint. Bob uses Utrecht’s Professional Gesso ---it’s thicker than most. Available from Utrecht or Dick Blick’s catalog.

6) Glue for Collage Work: Polymer Gel Medium - gloss. Bob uses Nova Color Gel Medium #207.

7) Your own collection of collage paper scraps, such as: Old letters, music sheets, photos (make prints from a Xerox copier), fabric or any other weird stuff you need.

8) Final Coat: Water-based POLYMER VARNISH with UVLS for “sealing” all paintings - gloss, semi gloss or matte. Bob uses Minwax Polycrylic Water Based from hardware store.

9) Small water container - such as a low, half gallon plastic bucket or a low 10x10 inch tupperware-type container. (They don’t fall over)

10) Table covering - Clear 4ml plastic sheet, (Hardware Store) precut to 4 ft x 8 ft. Tape down with strong tape. (such as tape for packing boxes) No blue or green painters’ tape - it doesn’t stick.

11) Roll of VIVA towels or similar.

12) Optional: Robert Burridge’s Goof Proof Color Wheel. (For sale at most Burridge Workshops.)

13) Rubbing alcohol 70%-90%. (drug store)

14) Artist’s Sketchbook, smooth or Hot Press, spiral bound for easier note taking and smooth sketching.

The following is Optional:
• Hand Barrier cream or Nitrile gloves.
• Derwent Water Soluble Drawing Pencil, very dark
• Derwent Inktense Color Pencils or Inktense Blocks

• Please, for everyone’s sake - No hair dryers, large easels or cell phones (turn ringer to mute).
Don’t forget your bucket!
Thank you, Bob

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