

**Ian Brownlee**  
**Painting**  
***June 20-26, 2021***

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

If you search for information about the right way to paint with oils, you'll find a lot of conflicting opinions. In this class we'll cut through the fog and get clarity about what's archival, what's practical, and what's fun. There's no better way to learn than by doing, so the majority of our time in this class will be spent painting. I'll start by giving a basic introduction to our materials: paint, brushes, and medium, and allow you to try them out on a still life. Experimentation will be balanced with technical instruction.

What you paint in this workshop will be up to you, though I will offer guidance. We'll go over a variety of different styles, and I'll help you find an approach that works for you. If there are specific photos or drawings you'd like to work from, please bring them.

Gatlinburg is surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery in the country, so we'll take a brief trip into the mountains to do some nature-drawing. We'll study the work of other painters, both historic and contemporary, and I'll give an introduction to my favorite type of painting: narrative.

We will not be using turpentine, as I consider the fumes to be un-necessarily toxic. Our mediums will be composed of gamsol (the safest form of odorless mineral spirits), linseed oil, and alkyd resin. People with extreme chemical sensitivity can still be bothered by gamsol, so if this describes you, this class might not be a good fit.

You'll create more than one painting, since you'll have time to work on one while another is drying. On our last day I'll show you how to properly wrap your artwork for transportation. (You can even mail it home if you like.)

**MATERIALS LIST**

- All supplies **except \*canvas** will be provided. (*Arrowmont will provide one 6x6 canvas for every student as part of the material fee*). Because of the wide variety of canvas or wooden painting panels available and the differing needs of each artist, I would like each student to bring their own or buy them from Ian or the supply store (**The Supply Store has limited sizes, please call to inquire and reserve**).
  - Canvases can be shipped to Arrowmont. Please use the following format for shipping label:  
Arrowmont  
C/O Student Name (7/14-20)  
556 Parkway  
Gatlinburg, TN 37738
- Students are encouraged to bring their own \*paints and \*brushes if they have them; those who do will find it convenient because they won't have to share with others. If not, don't worry about it; we've got you covered!
- \*Flash drive (to protect and save data to from Library computers)
- \*Padlock for your studio locker, if desired (For rent in the Supply Store for the week)

***All Items marked with an "\*" are available for purchase in the Supply Store***

**COVID-19 UPDATE**

In accordance to Arrowmont's COVID-19 policies, Arrowmont recommends that all students bring multiple face coverings in accordance to the CDC guidelines (2-ply, cloth face covering). Along with additional masks, students should consider bringing additional PPE that they may need personally, including but not limited to hand sanitizers and gloves. When asked to bring a respirator or N95 for class, please consider the best option for the supply in your area with health care workers in mind.

In addition to the new operating policies due to COVID-19, Arrowmont is providing additional information to students about materials and tools that will be provided in classrooms. If a student already owns the below items and can travel with them, the student can choose to bring these additional items. Arrowmont will provide these items to students but wants to ensure that all students feel comfortable while on campus as some of these items will be shared amongst a class and are not guaranteed to be one per student.

### **SUPPLIES**

- Gloves
- Small containers with lids
- Pallet paper
- Sandpaper
- *Please see highlighted above*

If a student chooses to mail tools and supplies to Arrowmont prior to the class, the packages will be placed in the student's classroom.

Please label packages clearly, including student's name and class week.

Students can mail packages to:

Arrowmont  
C/O Student Name and Class Week  
556 Parkway  
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

### **MATERIALS FEES: \$50.00-\$90.00**

**Materials fees** will be charged for materials used in the studio and/or provided by instructors for use in the studio by the entire class. In order to keep these fees as low as possible, fees are assessed on an individual class basis and may vary from class to class depending on the amount of materials used and the number of students in the class. Materials fees are paid on the last day of class.

**Please be advised that above course description and materials list is written and approved by the instructor**

If you have any additional questions about this class, below is the contact info for your instructor:

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