Materials List for Beginning Drawing

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Students should bring to class:

- **Paper.** This can be crummy computer paper, newsprint, mixed media pad, whatever you have to draw onto will work. We will be working on practice sketches often. If you purchase a pad of drawing paper or mixed media paper no smaller than 9x12. An assortment of sizes would be preferable.
- **Regular 2HB pencil**. I also recommend purchasing a **4B and 6B** pencil, but you can get away with just a 2HB for this class.
- Vine or willow charcoal (a few sticks).
- Ruler.
- **Eraser.** I recommend a kneadable eraser, but whatever you have will be fine.
- Hand held pencil sharpener (the one in the classroom is not reliable).
- Black pen. This can be any black pen you have around the house.

The following are optional:

- **Fixative.** If you don't want a finished piece of work to smudge, for instance when using charcoal, you use this spray to fix the medium in place. Can be used on charcoal, drawing pencils, pastels etc... You do not need to buy expensive fixatives. Unscented Aquanet, a hairspray, works just fine.
- **Blending stump.** If you hate the feeling of using your finger to blend pencils or charcoal, I would recommend purchasing one.
- Sketchbook.

All of your materials must be taken home each day as there is not enough storage space in the classroom..

We will draw on the first day of class so please make sure to bring your supplies. Also save your receipts in case you need to return or exchange items.