



SUPPLY LIST

Class: Woodblock Printmaking

Instructor: Nick Wroblewski

Students are asked to bring the following supplies

1. Carving tools - 1/16" (@1.5 mm), 1/8" (@3 mm), 1/4" (@4.5 mm), 3/8" (@6 mm) U-Gouges. In addition, 1/8" (@3mm) V-Gouge is recommended. Any larger U-Gouges or V-Gouges might also be helpful.
2. Brayers - Larger brayers up to 10". One 8" and one 10" are recommended. The larger brayers are often expensive so smaller brayers may be more readily available and would be better than none. Try to avoid brayers that are made of very hard rubber or extremely soft foamy material. The hardness should be like an eraser texture.
3. Miscellaneous - 12" ruler, triangle ruler, mechanical pencils, ultra fine point Sharpie pen, Mat knife/X-acto (I like the OLFA brand with sections of the blade that can be snapped off as the edge dulls.) 1 1/2" - 2" rectangular palette knives for mixing ink. Apron.
4. Images to inspire your print or an idea for general subject matter. Sketch book and/or drawing paper, tracing paper.

Carving tools can be purchased in sets but often come with one or two straight chisel shaped blades that aren't used as much in the class. It may be less expensive to purchase the tools individually. The most affordable quality tools I recommend are the Japanese Power Grip brand available at:

<https://www.woodcraft.com/>

<https://www.rockler.com/>

The five piece Flex Cut set is a bit nicer but more expensive.



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My favorite tools come from McClain's Printmaking Supplies. Knives can be purchased individually or in sets and are available in standard quality and superior quality. They can be viewed at:

<https://imclains.com/catalog/woodblocktools/namisei.html>

The lowest price quality brayers I have found are the polyurethane wire handled brayers from:

<https://www.graphicchemical.com/>

Speedball brayers are inexpensive and more common. It is helpful to have a larger diameter for longer roll-out length. All types of brayers may be useful for the class (look for softer rubber). Takach brayers (20 durometer) are more expensive but extremely high quality. They can be purchased at McClain's Printmaking Supplies as well as their more affordable Japanese Hand Brayers (quality rubber material) at:

<https://www.imclains.com/>

<https://shop.takachpress.com/takach-hand-brayers/>

