

NEW YORK STUDIO SCHOOL

OF DRAWING, PAINTING & SCULPTURE

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DRAWING JOHN LEES Spring 2010

Class Hours: Thursdays, 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Dates: February 4 – April 29, 2010

NO CLASS: 3/25/2010 & 4/1/2010

This class will aim to look at the importance of drawing as the underlying graphic structure of a work of visual art. A wide range of mediums will be explored to allow a drawing to grow over time, clarifying changes in one's perception and development of a motif.

Students will work from life, imagination and their own paintings and sculptures. The class will emphasize the sensuality of drawing; the importance of choosing one's influences; of trusting oneself, and of keeping sketchbooks.

Weekly talks and/or demonstrations will be held at the beginning of each class. It is essential that participants are on time for the 6.30PM start.

Materials and Supplies

- Erasers – 'Pink Pearl' or whatever kind you prefer
- Conte crayon sticks – black, sanguine, bistre & white
- Pencils: Hard - 3H or 4H, Medium - HB medium or "No 2", Soft - 4B- 6B
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pen Point – (Don't get tiny croquille points. If you get a "Speedball Point", get an 'A5')
- Specific Brands: "Esterbrook 369" **or** "Spencerian 31", can be bought from New York Central Art Supplies
- Pen Holder
- Inks
 - Black (sumi or Indian)
 - Sepia (Pelican)
- Scissors
- Variety of medium sized, cheap pointed watercolor brushes or Japanese brush
- Cheap flat 1" or 2" brush
- Container for water, with lid
- Variety of empty jars or ink bottle to allow to make mixes or for diluting inks
- Palette knife
- Glue (acrylic matt medium) ½ pint
- Paper/Sketch books:
 - Cheap drawing paper for quick gesture drawings, e.g: "Biggie sketch" 11" x 14" or 14" x 17" (**DO NOT** get 'Newsprint')
 - Strong, inexpensive drawing paper. E.g. Strathmore Pads, 14" x17" (**DO NOT** get 'Newsprint', you'll want paper to have some strength to this paper)
 - A very small (5" x 3 1/2" range) with lots of thin paper for 'entry level' visual notes. E.g. Moleskine small Plain notebook or little lined /gridded notebooks sold at Drug Stores or Supermarkets