**DRAWING CLASS SUPPLY LIST**

**Paper** – 400 Series Strathmore Medium 18” x 24” Pad. This is readily available at Michaels or on Amazon. However, we have found that the **Canson Cream** surface is nicer to work on.

**Clip Board** – large enough to hold an 18” x 24” pad. You can buy this on Amazon.

**Graphite Pencils** – 3H, 2H, HB, B, 2B, 4B, 6B, and 9B if you can get one.

On the softer B’s (6B and 8 or 9B) I’d suggest you get the woodless pencils along with a small sharpener. For the hard pencils – B, HB and up (2H) you might want to invest in three mechanical pencils and a mechanical pencil sharpener. They do a beautiful job for the finer rendering and the sharpener saves you time over the razor blade. You would need the 2MM leads for these. They require a drawing mechanical pencil not a writing one. Look online on Amazon or Jerry’s Artarama, Cheap Joe’s or Dick Blick. **Please note that these are not mandatory. Regular B, HB and 2H pencils are fine.**

***Smooth* Newsprint** 18” x 24” pad. Please *don’t* come with a *rough* newsprint pad. You can buy these online. It erases easier and serves a purpose in the class.

**Kneaded eraser**.

**Proportional Dividers –** You can find these at any online art supply store and Amazon. They’re relatively inexpensive and *very* helpful.

**Mahl Stick**. (If you don’t know what this is, I can show you. You won’t need it right away and they are quite easy to make.) Some folks use a cane or even a cheap curtain rod with a rubber tip on it. Please don’t buy a ready made one. They’re expensive and a waste of money.

**A few safety razor blades**. **Blades are preferred over** sharpeners for the graphite pencils in order to get the long point that’s best for fine quality graphite work. But if it scares you, a regular pencil sharpener will suffice.

**A sanding block or fine grit sandpaper**. This is for sharpening your pencil to a nice needle like sharpness. Not for use with the mechanical leads but with the regular drawing pencils. You won’t need this if you elect to go with a plain sharpener.

**Plumb Line**: You can get one at Home Depot or just attach a fine string to a fishing weight. That works well too. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. IT IS A STRONG VISUAL AID IN DRAWING ACCURATELY AND YOU’LL BE SMART TO HAVE ONE RIGHT OFF THE BAT!