

If you'd like to get just a handful of these items to start, we can decide what more you need in first class.

Brushes: Assorted synthetic hair stiff bristle and soft bristle
round/flat
small/med/large

Canvas: Pre-primed canvas panels masonite panels illustration board or foam board
(each has it's level of expense and level of quality for your project)

Palette: Plastic white ("Sta Wet" is a brand with both lid and sponge inside to keep paint from drying too fast)
I just use white lids of all sizes from containers of dips, puddings, spreads etc. (and keep their bottoms if I want to cover and save paints longer.)

Palette Knife: small metal or plastic offset (I also collect wooden coffee stirrers, chopsticks, popsicle sticks, skewers for mixing and disposing, but since acrylics are easily cleaned off, disposable is unnecessary.

Pencils: for sketching/drawing to start. 2H. HB (most household pencils) 3 or 4B
For More Adventurous: Watercolor Pencils (assorted)

Jar/Cup for water. **FMA:** mist spray water bottle

Paper towels / Paint rags

Paints: I use Liquitex brand Acrylic in tubes, but a lot of brands are fine, even small cheap bottles nearby in the "craft" aisle.
Here are some basic colors that you can start with (or choose from):

White-Titanium (larger) Transparent Mixing White
Black-Ivory, Mars
Earth tones- Burnt Sienna, Burnt Umber, Raw Umber
Yellow-Cadmium Yellow, Yellow Ochre, Naples Yellow
Red- Naphthol Crimson, Cad Red
Blue-Ultramarine, Prussian
Green-Pthalo Green, Viridian

Or start with a small tubed assorted set.
(Liquitex has a good Acrylic Soft Body Set)

Michael's Crafts has online coupons. Sign up.
Artist and Craft Supply (Chestnut Hill) will give a student discount and is helpful.
JoAnne Fabrics has small craft acrylics.
Hobby Lobby (never been)