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Portrait Painting Workshop – Boomhuis, Stellenbosch

Date: Wednesday 18 April –Friday 20 April 2018

Venue: Boomhuis Art Gallery, Woodmill, Vredenburg Rd, Devon Valley

Time: 09h00 - 17h00

Cost: R2200 per person – R500 non-refundable deposit to secure your spot

(See payment details at the end of this document)

Includes coffee, tea (please provide your own lunch. There are 2 restaurants next to Boomhuis)

For bookings contact:

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List of materials needed:

* 2 **CLEAR** paper prints of your photo: one black and white and one full colour (of the same photo). Size: preferably A3 (not smaller than A4, you need to be able to see the detail in the face) Only one face, not a group photo, only the face (and part of the shoulders), not full figure or half figure. See examples below:



A tip on choosing a photo:

If possible, do not paint your family members, children, husband, or wife. These are the people who are apt to be most critical, and that can be hard to take when starting out. If it is a stranger, you won't be emotionally attached and can approach the painting relaxed and not worried, freeing yourself to make mistakes and learn from them. The painting you do in a workshop is a study exercise that you keep for future reference.

If you do not have a good photo, you can download one from “Paint My Photo” or “Wet Canvas”. These are loyalty free and legal photos for artists to download for painting purposes. You only need to sign up, which is also free.

The links: <http://pmp-art.com/>
<http://www.wetcanvas.com/RefLib/>

* Canvas – ± 400 x 500 mm, **primed, again, (even if it is triple primed) with a white canvas primer to make it less absorbent.** If your canvas is too absorbent you are going to struggle when you do the underpainting.

Of the commercially available canvases, I find Winsor & Newton and Daler Rowney Premium canvases work well. The smoothness of the canvas depends on your style. I prefer to work on a smoother/fine canvas. Both stretched canvases and canvas boards work well.



Dala canvas Primer works very well. It comes in a 500ml container and you can prime quite a few canvases with it. Gesso will not work as it is too absorbent. Please do not use house paint to prime your canvas. The PVA used to prime canvases is not your ordinary house paint. If you do not have a primer, rather use the canvas as it is (if you have bought one of the pre-primed canvases. You do not have to prime these canvases again, but I prefer to do so as I find some of the canvases to still be very absorbent).



You can also order custom made canvas from Boomhuis 2 weeks prior the workshop (R185 each)

- * 1 x A4 canvas sheet/board to practice on
- * Paint brushes of various sizes (the biggest brush at least 2,5 – 3 cm wide)
- * Palette
- * Palette knife to mix paint

* Soft colour pencil – brown, aquarelle pencil usually works well – the aquarelle pencil can be erased with a wet wipe without denting the canvas.

* **Colours of oil paint:**

Titanium White
Yellow ochre
Cadmium red / Cadmium red light
Alizarin Crimson
Raw Umber
Burnt Umber
Ultramarine blue / French Ultramarine
Burnt Siena

(Winton oil colours available at the Boomhuis for R78 a tube.)

* *Odourless* Solvent

* Linseed oil

* 1 sheet of cheap paper – Not smaller than A3

* Drawing board to press on.

* Piece of charcoal.

* Putty eraser.



* Easel. (Boomhuis also have easels available to use)

* Roll of toilet paper/paper towel or rags to clean brushes with.

* Plastic sheet to cover table.

* PicknPay bag to put dirty rags in.

Payment:

R500 non-refundable deposit to be paid with your booking to secure your place.

The balance, R1700, payable by **Thursday 12 April 2018**.

PLEASE NOTE:

Your booking will only be registered once your deposit has been received.

You will forfeit 50% of the workshop fee if you cancel within 48 hours of the workshop.

Banking details:

Boomhuis

FNB

Cheque Account

Account number: 62607956549

Branch Code: 201210

Please use "PORT" and you name as reference.

Please email your proof of payment to: ILSEKLEYN@GMAIL.COM

Please feel free to contact us should you require any further information.