## PAINTING with COLOR & FEELING



## **COLOR MIXING EXERCISES**

- 1. Create your own warm and cool color wheels with your choice of a warm and cool colors of each primary color.
- 2. Create a grid of color mixes from the colors in your personal collection.
- 3. Create a library of "Go-To" Color Scheme Swatches
- Monochromatic Color Scheme: create 3-4 shades or tints of one color creating variations on the same hue
- Analogous Color Scheme: choose 3-4 "neighboring" colors on the color wheel
- Complementary Color Scheme: Choose two colors on opposite sides of the color wheel and create a swatch with variations of these colors.
- Step 1: Create color swatches on a scrap piece of watercolor paper oboard with various mixtures of paint colors for each of the 3 color schemes.
- Step 2: Label each swatch with the tube color of paints used.
- Step 3: Continue to build your "library" of Color Schemes as references for paintings by creating swatches for colors in your collection.

Tip: Keep these swatches nearby as you paint and consult them frequently. I recommend choosing your color scheme and paint colors, and creating a color swatch as a reference for each painting.

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