## 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.

