

Basic Toolbox List



Here is a list of items you may want to include in your basic toolbox. This is only a suggested list - there may be additional items you want to add or some you may not want to include at all. However, these are generally the things an instructor will expect you to have with you. If you need specific tools beyond this list, your instructor should let you know in advance. Your tool box will evolve over time and reflect your personality as you make your miniature creations.

X-acto knife with #11 blades Small notebook and pencils 2 pair scissors (paper & fabric) 12" and 6" cork-backed rulers Toothpicks Sandpaper (medium/fine) Needle nose pliers Masking tape Tacky Glue Emery Boards Small cutting mat Paint brushes- various sizes & styles Small spring clamps Fine point tweezers Glue spreader/old hotel keycards

You may wish to bring a work light and extension cord as hotel lighting isn't always the best for Miniaturing.

Below are additional supplies that you may find are helpful to have:

- Steel wool 0000 Wire cutters Pin vise and drill bits Utility knife Super glue Squaring jig or Legos Small T-square or right angle Band-Aids
- Rubber gloves Wood glue Cement for plastic Plastic "zip" bags 1" foam brush Damp cloth or wipes Q-tips Ball stylus

Mouse pad Small screwdrivers Container(s) for project Pins, needles, thread Wax paper Small bar clamps Miter box & saw or a chopper Black "Sharpie" marker

BASIC SKILLS

These are considered the basic skills necessary for a productive, enjoyable workshop experience:

- 1. Use basic tools confidently
- 2. Cut accurately with an X-acto knife
- 3. Read rulers and mark lengths accurately
- 4. Have knowledge of basic glues and how to apply them
- 5. Know how to paint smoothly

When asked to list the skills needed beyond the basic ones, most instructors reply that they would be more than prepared to teach whatever their students do not know how to do. What they would like students to have are some "Opens" – open minds, open hearts, open eyes, open ears and an open -----

SMILE