

## *From the studio of Gage Opdenbrouw:*

Hi Everyone,

I'm teaching a ten week painting class, beginning February 6th, at A.Muse Gallery, a beautiful space on Alabama St, between 18th & 19th Streets.

The class size will be limited to a maximum of 12 students, in order to ensure that everyone gets all the attention they need, so sign up early!

The class is intended as a solid introduction to painting, from the the ground up, with an emphasis on fundamental concepts. The class will be focused on oil painting (though students are welcome to use other media if they prefer, as most topics covered apply to all media), but, topics covered will include:

- Technical primer on traditional art materials and their properties and proper uses and preparations, including how to stretch a canvas, build a panel, and priming, and more.
- Observation
- Value/Light & Shadow
- Drawing, and how it relates to painting
- Composition/Design
- Basic Color Theory and application
- Painting from life vs. Painting from photographs and other approaches
- Paint application
- Approaches : Underpainting and more classical approaches vs. Direct or "Alla Prima" painting.

And more! Students will develop at least 2 paintings through the course of the ten week period, and have critiques and discussion pf their works in class.

Easels will be provided, but students will need to bring all materials to and from each class, including paintings. There will be NO STORAGE available.

The format of the class will be split between lecture, for the 1st portion, and painting for the second and third hours, with feedback, and demonstrations from the teacher.

Class will meet Wednesday evenings, once a week, from 6:30-9:30 pm, from 2/6/08, through 4/16/08 (class will not meet the night of 2/20). At \$600, the class is a bargain for anyone really interested in learning about painting with a knowledgeable, personable teacher, And it's less than half of the cost of my private lessons! Tuition/Class fees must be paid before the class begins. A suggested materials list will be provided.

Please contact me if you have questions, or to reserve a spot in class! Hope to see you there,

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