

PAINT BIG, LIVE BIG

with Julie Claire

Show Up and Paint Open House- Materials Needed

You can paint with any kind of paint on any surface you choose. That being said, I paint with liquid acrylics mostly on canvas or 15# roofing paper and will guide you in that direction. (feel free to ask me a question. julie@paintbiglivebig.com)

Materials:

- **Paint:** Any paint you can find in the house, borrow, buy—acrylics, watercolors, oils, pastels. You will also need the ability to clean them. Soap and water for acrylics. You will want at least blue/red/yellow/white/black. All colors welcome and for your pleasure and adventure. NO right/wrong colors.
- **Painting Surface:** My plan is to have you paint for a solid 90 minutes so give yourself some room to play. Try not to go too small. At least 24" in any direction. You can buy a stretched canvas, cut some canvas off a roll at art store, or find a piece of Masonite or board or anything you want. Roofing paper only comes in big rolls and if you're only going to paint in the open house—not a good way to go.
- **Brushes:** Give yourself at least 3 brushes, different sizes if possible. And try to have at least one brush 2" or bigger. Easily available at hardware store let alone craft stores.
- **Fun stuff:** Old credit card? Have a window scraper? These can be fun to use as a palette knife. The end of your brush can be a drawing tool. You can always paint with your fingers.
- **Other Stuff:** plastic, old sheets, newspaper, canvas to protect your floor and/or wall space. Paper plate or something you can use as a palette. Paper towels or rags for clean-up or applying paint with. Large enough container for holding water to put brushes in until you're ready to wash them. And anything else that speaks to you, like water bottle etc. It's all about play!

