

LET'S PAINT A POSTCARD!

Tip and tricks for painting on location

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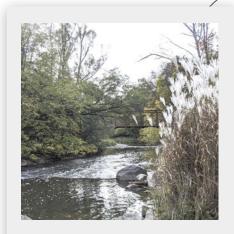
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Rouge Valley Park, Markham





Connect to a time and place more deeply







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WHAT TO BRING



Choose lightweight, portable items

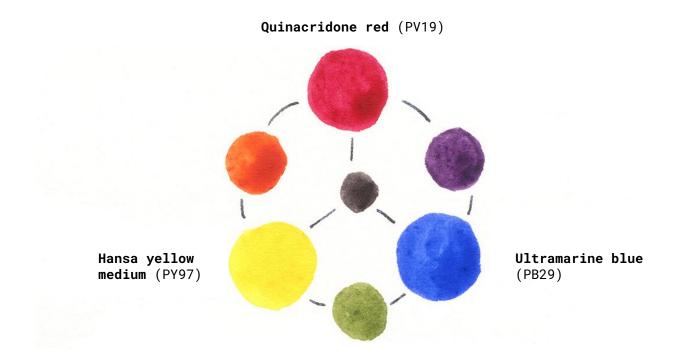




My sketching kit

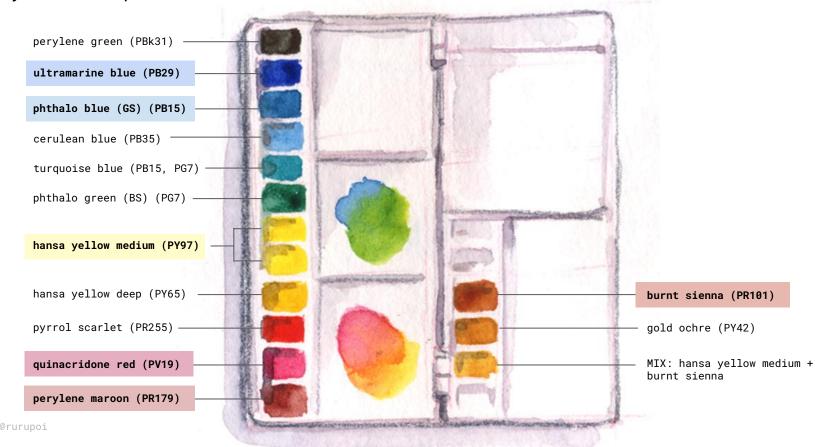


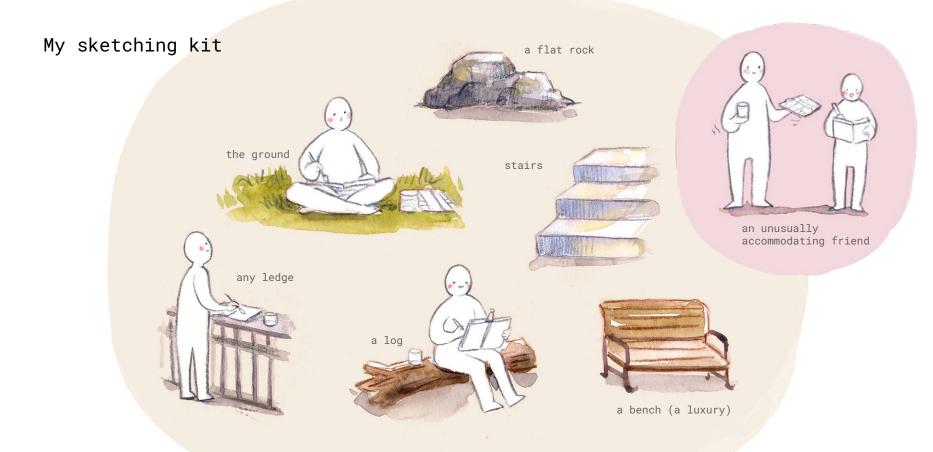
Limited colour palette - triad





My current palette







HOW TO APPROACH YOUR SCENE



1. Look for shapes



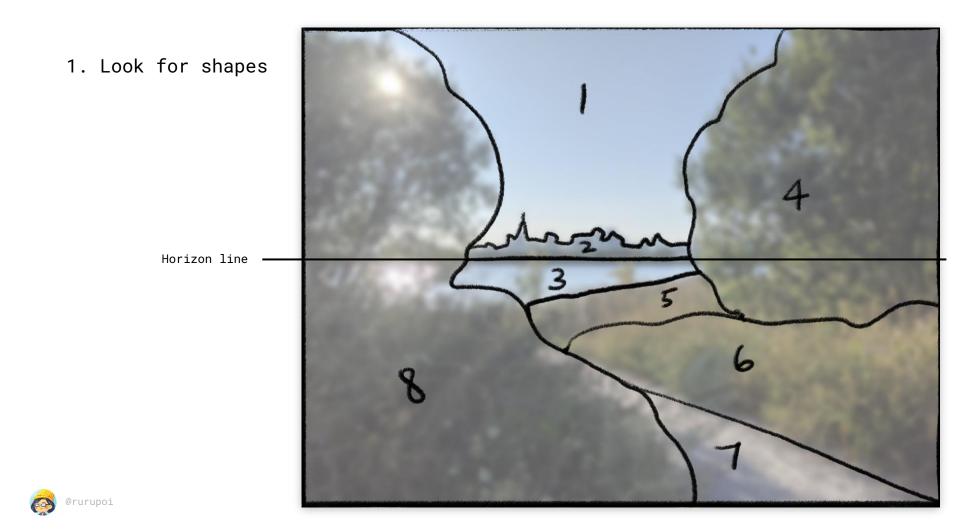




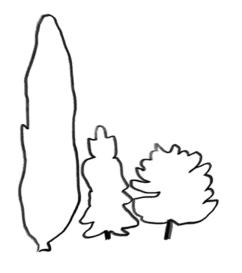
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1. Look for shapes: silhouettes







Silhouette breakdown

Quick version

More detailed version

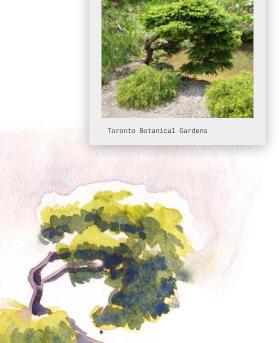


1. Look for shapes: patterns of light and shadow



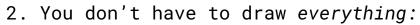


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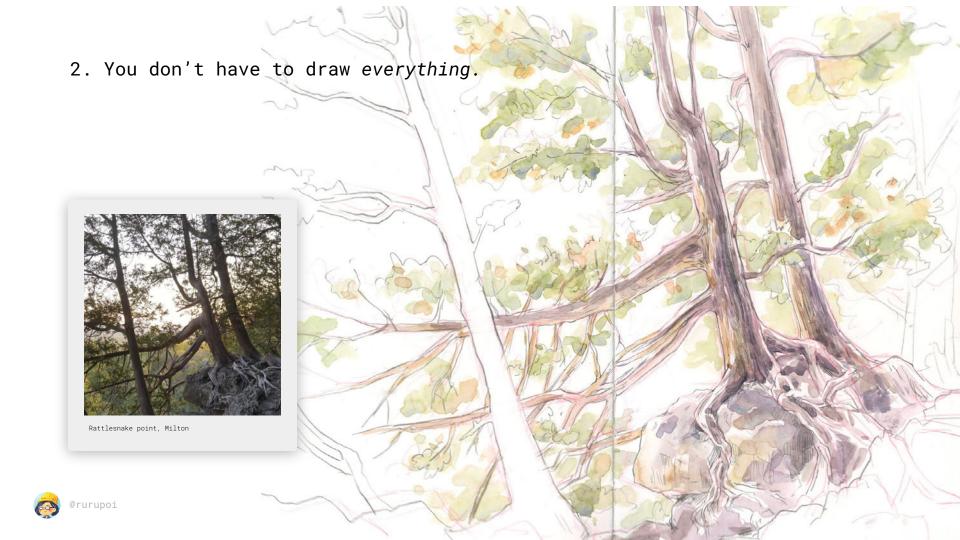












Recap: tips for painting on location

- 1. Look for shapes instead of discrete objects
- 2. You don't have to draw everything





Learning resources

Instructional books (most available as Toronto Public Library eBooks!)

- The Urban Sketching Handbook series:
 - o Architecture and Perspective by Gabriel Camponella
 - Drawing Expressive People by Róisín Curé
 - Understanding Architecture by Stephanie Bower
 - Working with Color by Shari Blaukopf
- 5-minute sketching: Landscapes by Virginia Hein
- The Watercolor Course You've Always Wanted by Leslie Frontz
- Watercolor Painting by Tom Hoffman
- The Urban Sketcher: Techniques for Seeing and Drawing on Location by Marc Taro Holmes

Free online resources

- <u>Teoh Yi Chi</u> / <u>parkablogs.com</u> (reviews, tutorials)
- <u>Tea, Milk, Honey</u> (paint consistency explanation by Marco Taro Holmes)
- <u>Handprint</u> (very in-depth look at pigments and colour palettes)
- Beginner's guide to watercolour materials on my instagram





Ideas for where to paint in Toronto

Parks and green spaces in Toronto:

- Allan Gardens
- Centre Island
- Evergreen Brickworks
- High Park
- Toronto Botanical Gardens
- Toronto Music Garden / Harbourfront
- Tommy Thompson Park (Leslie Spit)
- Trillium Park (Ontario Place)

A little outside Toronto:

- Dundas Valley (Hamilton)
- Rattlesnake Point (Milton)
- Royal Botanical Garden (Burlington)



Architecture:

- AGO
- Casa Loma
- Chinatown
- Distillery District
- Esplanade
- OCAD
- Osgoode Hall
- ROM
- Your neighbourhood

People and pets

- Coffee shop
- Nathan Phillips Square
- The subway
- Yonge-Dundas Square

Indoor scenes

- The view from your window
- Your garden/houseplants setup
- Your backyard
- Your desk
- Your favourite space in your home



Thank you!



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