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## An Approach to Compelling Composition

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Practice doesn't make perfect, when it comes to composition!?!? We wish there were rules we could memorize and apply for good composition, but it doesn't sound like that! Heeyoung would like to introduce her approach to compelling composition through some tangible guides.



## **Supply List**

Any good quality materials are fine. Materials in this list are recommended in case the class participants would like to try what Heeyoung is using.

**Pencils:** Caran d'Ache- Grafwood, Two of each 4H, 3H, 2H, H, F, HB, 2B pencils. (one for sharp point and the other for dull point) Old style wood pencil is used by the instructor, as they have some qualities for certain techniques. <a href="http://www.dickblick.com/products/caran-dache-grafwood-pencils">http://www.dickblick.com/products/caran-dache-grafwood-pencils</a>

**Pencil sharpener:** for Caran d'Ache- Grafwood pencils: These pencils are thicker than most other pencils. So, one might try a sharpener with various size holes, or Faber- Castell hand held sharper <a href="http://www.dickblick.com/products/faber-castell-grip-trio-sharpener/">http://www.dickblick.com/products/faber-castell-grip-trio-sharpener/</a>

#### Paper:

Three or four sheets of Bienfang 360, 11"x14" or other lay-out/tracing paper One or two sheets of 11"x15"(or larger) hot pressed watercolor paper, 140 or 300 lbs

**Eraser:** 1 Faber-Castell (dust-free, white): http://www.dickblick.com/products/faber-castell-dust-free-vinyl-eraser/

## 4. Other:

Portable battery operated light such as Ott Lites (the room might not have electric outlet)

Drawing board: Any board that can firmly hold drawing paper (A tip: two identical light weight foam boards

serve perfectly as a drawing board, and keep paper safely in between while traveling.) Emory board to smoothen pencils (better than sand papers)

One sharp knife to cut eraser and sharpen pencils for dull points (Keep it in Check-in luggage bag when traveling by airplane !!!!!) <a href="http://www.dickblick.com/products/olfa-snapit-n-trapit-pro-heavy-duty-snap-off-knife/">http://www.dickblick.com/products/olfa-snapit-n-trapit-pro-heavy-duty-snap-off-knife/</a>

Divider, ruler, specimen holder, paper towel

## Bio:

Artist, instructor and native plant advocate, Heeyoung Kim is known for her botanical documentation of prairie plants of Midwest. She has shown her works nationally and abroad since 2008. She won ASBA Diane Boucher Artist Award for Excellence in Botanical Art (2012), RHS Gold Medal (2012) and ASBA/HSNY Best in Show (2012).