

Introduction to Icon Painting in Egg Tempera: Paint Mixing and Pigments 2026



This class is the most foundational of our introductory classes in icon painting. *It is a prerequisite for all of the other classes that we offer.* It is designed for those who want to learn to mix and apply egg tempera paint according to the basic techniques used in the Prosopon style of icon painting. It also includes an overview of the basic pigments used in the Prosopon palette. The class consists of six two-hour sessions, presented two sessions a day, over the course of three consecutive days. The classes are all recorded, so it is quite possible to do the work from the recordings in case of scheduling conflicts.

The exercises of mixing and applying the paint are done on an 8" x 10" claybord which the student can save for future reference. Three different applications are covered: roskrish, highlights and floats. One session is devoted to each. There is also an introductory session in which the students learn to make the tempera medium. The pigment study of the traditional Prosopon palette is done on cardstock charts and consists of two sessions. All instructional material from the class may be kept in a 3-ring binder for future reference.

A kit of basic supplies (including clayboards, brushes, palette, etc.) and instructional materials is included in the cost of the workshop. This kit will be mailed to the students prior to the beginning of the workshop. Students will provide a few additional everyday supplies which are easily obtainable.

Students must provide their own pigments. The pigments are not included in the cost of the workshop. Pigment kits are available for purchase on this website. We have two sizes of kits: our standard kit and a basic beginner kit. Either is suitable for the class.

If you already own pigments, we will send you a list of pigments required for the completion of the paint mixing exercises upon your registration in the class. It will be your responsibility to purchase any pigments you might need.

TO REGISTER FOR THE CLASS:

Cost of the class is \$295.00. Billing is handled through PayPal, which you can pay using any credit or debit card or Venmo. (You do not need a PayPal account.)

- **Email Faye Drobnic** at steicon@aol.com. Please include your full name and your mailing address and the name of the class.
- If you wish to purchase a pigment kit, please indicate which kit you want, and the cost of the pigment kit plus shipping will be included in the invoice.
- You will be emailed an invoice through PayPal, which you can pay with any credit card.
- Registration is complete upon receipt of your payment.