

Reviewing, Blending & Decorating Cursive-Italic Tombow Brush Letters

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To begin, we will review cursive-italic brush lettering. A handout will be provided for this review. We will practice writing 1 inch x-height letters. I will use 8 ½ x 11 graph paper, 4 squares to the inch, and Tombow Dual-Tipped Brush markers.

Next, we will blend colors, outline, and shade letters and “key” words. I will write on Canson Mixed Media (smooth) 9x12 paper which comes in a spiral bound tablet. Arches Text Wove is excellent, too. For *blending* the Tombow pen colors, I will use a pointed water brush. For *outlining*, we will use black waterproof fine liner pens. I usually use a fine line Sharpie. For *shading*, I’ll use Tombow Dual-Tipped Brush water-based markers.

Depending on time, we will explore using metallic pens and the Molotow Liquid Chrome Pen (optional) on black and/or white paper. Other brush pens that you have on hand, e.g., Tombow Fudenosuke and Pentel are optional but fun for trying out lettering sizes, colors and techniques.

Supply List (see above for what I will be using)

- Handouts (I will provide several closer to the Community Gathering)
- Pencil, eraser, ruler, paper towels
- Grid/graph paper
- Black fine liner pens, *waterproof*, contrasting sizes (any brand)
- Canson Mixed Media 9x12” paper, or equivalent or better (e.g., Arches Text Wove)
- Tombow Dual Brush Pens/Markers (the brush tips should be in good shape), black and various colors, especially colors you like that go together and some lighter and some darker
- You will need at least one very light colored Tombow brush marker, e.g., pink, blue, lavender, grey
- Water-filled pointed brush or small (e.g., #4) watercolor pointed brush and water
- Pens for decorating letters *such as* white gel pen, glitter/sparkle gel pens, colorful gel pens, paint pens, Molotow Liquid Chrome pens (fine and/or 2mm), metallic markers and pens, and other pens you have in your studio along these lines
- *Optional*: Craft envelopes, mailers, black paper, other colors of paper that allow Tombow markers to show



Water pen, Tombows, Sharpie

Mixed Media & Graph & Envelopes