

Painting

Plainfield Public Library Pathfinder

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If you're looking to try a new hobby, such as painting, the Plainfield Public Library has a range of books to guide you to being the next Monet or Michaela go.

First, you want to start out with the basics, which means techniques, try **The North Light Illustrated Books of Painting Techniques** by Elizabeth Tate (771.4 T18) would good to try. The book is filled with color illustrations.

Want to try a specific type of painting, like oil painting? Try **Oil Painting Step -By-Step** by Arthur L. Guphill (751 G95O). The book goes through stuff you will need, exercises to do with tools, and composition. If you want to be the next Monet, try **Watercolor Painting Step-By-Step** (751.42 G95).

Have an interest in painting techniques from another culture, try **Chinese Painting Techniques** by Alison Stilwell Cameron (751.4 Cam).

The library also provides reference materials for aspiring artists and art students. Check out **30,000 Years of Art** (R 709.22 TH1), a truly large book with the history of art and many illustrations. Students should try **The Dictionary of Art** (R 703 D56), a 34 volume set for starting out with research.

Last, but not least, patrons are invited to check out http://www.plainfieldlibrary.info/dept_localhistory.html for online art exhibits, or browse our extensive collection of postcards and photography.

