Figure drawing 101

Drawing the figure is great fun. You are going to learn how to to really see and understand the dimensions and proportions of the figure. We already have intimate knowledge of the figure because we have our own bodies to study. We will discuss proportions but do not worry if you forget. All you have to do is look in the mirror. It is like having a portable text book always at hand.

You can use any drawing medium you like. I will be demonstrate several options including, charcoal, conte crayon, ink, and pencil wash.

We will also cover adding color to enhance the figure and to add depth and volume. Watercolors, pencils or acrylics all work well because they dry quickly. Please no oils. Just too difficult to do in this time frame.

Please remember this is not a portrait class. We will be concentrating on the total figure. We will cover tricks to getting a likeness but it will not be our main concern.