

# Marbling Magic 2023

with **René Eisenbart**

**\$395** (includes marbling supplies)

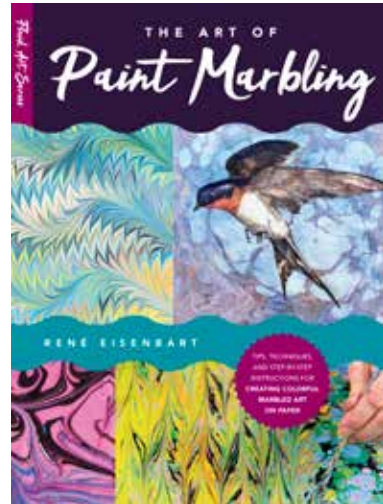
We'll have **3 days** to marble in my back yard!  
I'll provide the supplies, including some paper.  
You bring blank watercolor paper, art prints,  
paintings you're not happy with, maps or sheet  
music to marble. You will go home with  
marbled papers and reinvented paintings.

While there are many steps, marbling is easy  
once you learn how. This will be a **FAST PACED**  
workshop – so be prepared to move quickly.

**Warning:** Marbling can be addictive!

**June 20, 21, 22**

10am - 4pm



**Books:** Available for purchase

## Day 1

**MARBLING BASICS** — Prepare your paper, learn what surfaces to use plus how to apply and manipulate the paint with tools to create a variety of patterns. Make exciting one-of-a-kind papers for collage or experimental paintings. While the marbling process is fast and exhilarating, to master it requires learning the steps. Even on this first day you will be surprised how many papers you can make. If you know how, come with papers alum treated to begin marbling sooner.

## Day 2

**BEYOND BASICS** — Learn to manipulate marbled patterns. Rene will demonstrate how she integrates marbling with watercolor painting. It's easy when you know how to approach it! We'll talk about color palette choices and how to prepare your pattern for opacity or transparency.

Marble sheets of blank watercolor paper with patterns that allow paper to show through. Marble over art prints to get a feel for how much to cover, then try paintings. Marble over maps, sheet music or pages from a book.

## Day 3

Learn to make subtle patterns with little value change and riotous patterns full of verve.

Marble specialty papers up to full sheet, using metallic paints or techniques such as dripping paint into the pattern. Simulate water or stone. Master complex traditional patterns or experiment and make up your own. Now would be the time for marbling a 3-D object or silk scarf or cotton cloth to cover a one-of-a-kind sketchbook.

**What Is Marbling?** search YouTube for my name and Marbling Magic for a 7-minute intro.



*"Gossamer Wings"*

**Learn the ancient art of acrylic marbling, along with contemporary techniques to create beautiful paper and transform your watercolor paintings.**

## what is supplied

Sheets of thin deli paper and black craft paper will be supplied for you to marble. Alum solution for preparing your paper, acrylic marbling paints and wands, small marbling trays with carrageenan size, shared larger trays and shared marbling tools are all provided.

## what to bring

Marbling goes fast once you get going. Bring more paper than you think you'll need!

Any smooth paper (white or colored) that dries relatively flat will hold a crisp pattern.

Sheets of watercolor paper — any weight will work. Hot press is great for pattern specificity, or use cold press or textured watercolor paper (arches is best) for later painting over. Alum paper and flatten it in advance if you like, or do it in class.

Watercolor or acrylic paintings that are unfinished or flawed, to explore what happens when marbling over the top. Photo prints of artwork (that won't bleed when wet) are great for practice.

An old cloth towel cut in smaller pieces & paper towels

Rubber gloves to protect your hands (sturdy cloth-lined vinyl gloves work best)

A pencil, pen or x-fine sharpie marker for labling your work, Sissors or ruler for tearing paper

### **OPTIONAL:**

Barrier cream for hands. Other papers...Sheet music, maps, book pages, etc. Marbling books.

If you want to marble fabric, bring any natural fiber such as cotton or silk (if new, prewash several times in advance). Old sheets work great if they're 100% cotton. Bring on day 1 to apply alum.

Bring a lunch. Wear old clothes and even old shoes, as paint and water will fly!



These workshops usually fill early!

☐ *Marbling Magic*  
**June 20, 21, 22** 10am - 4pm

**\$395**

☐ *Marbling Applied*  
**June 28, 29** 10am - 3pm

**\$210**

## MARBLING 2023 with René Eisenbart

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EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Note: We'll be outside or in and out, dress for the weather.

In the unlikely event I would need to cancel, your fees will be returned in full.

If *you* need to cancel, you'll have credit toward any future classes or workshops run by me.

**Download map and directions <http://rene-art.com/marbling-magic/>**

TO REGISTER

Mail this form with a check to:

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# Marbling Applied 2023

with **René Eisenbart**

**\$210**

**June 28, 29**

10am - 3pm

## I've marbled, now what?

You have the most gorgeous papers,

but what do you do with them?

Take marbling to the next step in this 2-day workshop.

■ Paint over your marbled patterns, using acrylic ground and watercolor. Touch up paintings you've marbled to make them "sing"! ■ Create a collage, making a pattern using imagery and marbling you love. ■ Collage marbled deli papers onto your paintings.

Rene will show examples and offer ideas.



## what to bring

Marbled paper and paintings, unmarbled paintings that you could enhance with marbled paper

Painting supplies — paints, palette, brushes, water pot, etc...

A small cloth towel & paper towels

Pencils, pens, marker for labling your work

Sissors, Ruler or T-square, X-Acto knife with sharp blade

Tracing paper - recommend Canson tracing pads (discount on supplies at Merri Artist)

Low-tack tape — 3M 401+ or 233+ green automotive detailing tape (blue painters tape can work)

Acrylic gel (I prefer matte but gloss works), small flat acrylic brush for applying gel

Bring a lunch

### **OPTIONAL:**

Reference for making collage or painting

Found objects for collage

Barrier Cream to protect hands

Jelli Plate, brayer and a few acrylic paints

Apron or smock

Acrylic Spray Varnish

