



**Video Outline, Title of Lesson: Watercolor Still Life, Day 1, Painting Day 5 Ages:
7-12**

Video Time: 25 min 34 sec

Video link: <https://youtu.be/W52PK24UQrU>

Intro to video: Hi! I'm excited to work on a still life painting with you! A Still Life is a piece of art about objects that are still, often including flowers or food. These paintings have been popular all over the world for a long time. This week we'll be drawing a still life and adding a watercolor wash, next week we'll finish this painting. I will prepare a still life that you can use if you have nothing at home that you want to paint. I will post photos and videos so that you can pause to draw it if you wish. You can choose at least 5 of your own things to paint at home too! Pick things you can keep for a week (like shells, toys, shoes, headphones). The still life I'll include and paint has flowers & other things - but if you're working at home please remember to use things that will last a week (not flowers or food).

Steps:

1. Let's talk a bit about still life first, then gather things to draw if you want! When you're ready start drawing using light lines. Do your best to draw what you see, but it doesn't need to be super realistic. Think about the Diego Rivera example, and get the feeling of the objects in your still life.
2. Look at your still life a lot so you make sure to see all of the details. Think about the shapes you see in the still life objects. Observe as closely as you can so you can see the details, and draw with light lines. Draw while I draw, have fun! (5 min 5 sec)
3. We're trying to get a feeling about these objects with this painting, it doesn't need to be super realistic. (6 min 12 sec)
4. Take your time, draw what you see. (Please don't worry about your drawing looking like mine - I've been drawing almost every day for 30 years. Just have fun!) (7 min 30 sec)

5. Spend 20 to 45 minutes drawing... draw 5 to 7 different things and make sure you're happy with the drawing. Have fun! (10 min 45 sec)
6. Make sure your palette lid is clean. Then mix washes for your background there. Whatever colors you'd like. (18 min 30 sec)
7. Try wet on wet color mixing. Fun! Paint up to the top of the table with this table color. (19 min 20 sec)
8. When you're done with the table, turn your painting around so you can paint the top of the background first, and let the table dry a little before you paint next to it. (22 min 55 sec)
9. Take your time finishing the background, have fun! Here are some pictures of the still life that you can pause on to work, if you'd like. (25 min 9 sec)
10. The background will dry before you finish the still life next week.

Diego Rivera cubist paintings:

<https://www.nga.gov/features/slideshows/diego-rivera.html>

**We listened to a song by Dorothy Ashby while we drew today.