## KALAMAZOO INSTITUTE OF ARTS

## **Botanical Illustration**

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## Colored pencil set options:

- 1) Prismacolor colored pencils set of at least 24 (Prismacolor is more affordable and has more color options but the pencils wear down slightly faster than faber castell)
- 2) Faber Castell polychromos pencils set of 24 OR choose your colors individually on Blick art materials website (Faber castell polychromos pencils have a little less color variety but can be layered onto paper more times than Prismacolor and the hard lead makes the pencils last for longer use)

## Other Materials:

- 1) Strathmore 300 Series SMOOTH surface 11"x14" pad or larger
- 2) Graphite pencil for sketching
- 3) Grey kneaded eraser
- 4) Mechanical eraser
- 5) Block Eraser
- 6) Pencil sharpener that can sharpen adequately, I would recommend the Prismacolor, Faber Castell or Staedtler brand sharpeners
- 7) Reference images of plants (I will be providing options as well)

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