

Fall 2020 SCHEDULE

Novel options in response to a novel virus

For the Fall 2020 term, there are no in-studio classes planned at Laughing Waters Studio. This fall I will continue to explore novel options in providing instruction in Chinese brush painting.

I will continue to post video instruction for students. For the fall this will be on a bi-weekly basis—with 8 new lessons in total. Purchase of these lessons includes the opportunity to have personal email critiques.

I will also offer students the opportunity to come to the studio for one-to-one private consults, scheduled for 30 minutes or a full hour. The intent with these is to provide some direct feedback and also to provide each student with specific models to work with during the fall term.

And none of these can replace the impact of in-person instruction and the collective comradery of communal painting. But for now it's what we can do.

New videos for continuing students

Bob will be adding new video for continuing students every other week this fall. In total 8 new videos will be added.

These will provide more advanced calligraphy models and further explore techniques in using the brush.

Fee: \$20/session.
8 sessions: \$160
Find **DONATE** button on website

One-on-one in studio consults

This fall Bob is offering private one-on-one consults in his studio.

Students can choose 30-minute or 1-hour time slots. With mask and social distance.

The intent of these personal sessions is to provide direct feedback on current work, to provide specific models for new work, and the opportunity to restock on expendable supplies.

for students and nonstudents alike

This service is offered for current students at Laughing Waters Studio but is also available to those who wish to have a consult with Bob on how their brush painting skills are advancing, on where they might focus to improve.

To register:
complete registration form enclosed.
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Several options for distance learning with email critiques

2 sets of options, published online in the summer 2020, allow for distance learning with Chinese brush painting teacher Bob Schmitt. These can be found in the Distance Learning section of the Laughing Waters Studio website.

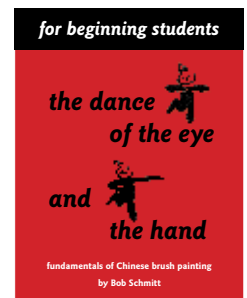
visit:

<https://www.shopatlaughingwatersstudio.com/distance-learning/>

1. Simply choose the lesson you wish to explore.
2. Download the model.
3. Paint a study or two.
4. Email Bob a pic of what you have done.
5. Bob will respond with an email critique.

This collection of 10 videos and models as a gateway into the study of Chinese painting. For the inexperienced beginner and for those who wish to review.

Each lesson includes a pdf of instructional materials and models.



This collection of 10 videos and models for more advanced models for students who desire more challenge.

Each lesson includes a pdf of instructional materials and models



Also available are video lessons posted in the spring of 2020.

Fee: \$20/session.
10 sessions: \$200.
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Introducing

the dance of the eye and the hand

Learn Chinese painting at home

Brush painter Bob Schmitt offers online lessons for the beginner, intermediate and advanced student.

Not only do you get a video lesson, you can receive a gentle though helpful critique of the work that you do, by email.

These instructional videos with printable models and supplementary materials are based on the concept that to learn Chinese brush painting one must train not only one's hand but one's eye as well.

The understanding is that continued learning is a tension between what the eye can see and what the hand can do. And that the dance of the eye and the hand will always be in play.

That tension is always there.

Mastery is a process. Not a destination.

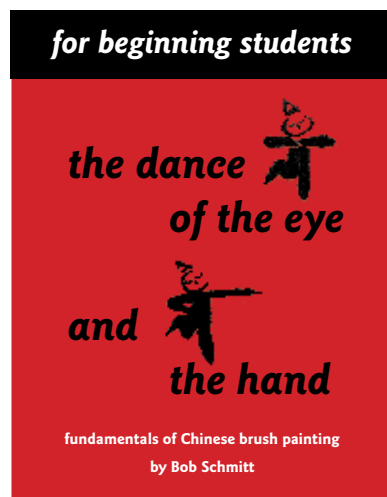
Start at any level.

Move between beginning exercises

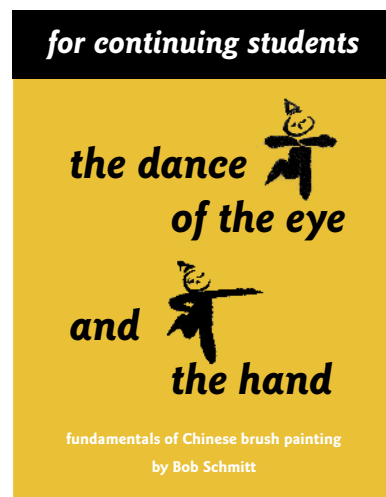
and more advanced as you desire.

Go forward, trying new things.

Go back, to review or strengthen existing skills.



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for links to video and downloadable pdf model, visit:

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the practice of Chinese calligraphy & painting

In-person classes are suspended for now. **For information, call:** 612 333-1881
email: bob@laughingwatersstudio.com

8 new bi-weekly instructional videos

Bob will create 8 new instructional videos for continuing students. These will provide more advanced calligraphy models and further explore techniques in using the brush.

To register:

Fee: \$20/session, \$160 for all 8.

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Students purchase lessons individually or in a block of 8 for the fall term. These lessons include the opportunity for a personal email critique from Bob.

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one-on-one in studio consults with Bob

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Social distancing and masks will be required.

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To register,
complete registration form attached.

Fee: \$40/session/ 30 minute session.
\$75/session / one hour (1-2 people).

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Studio now reconfigured.

2 socially distanced painting stations each with plexiglass shields.



**NEW
this fall**

**You can sign up ala carte: video lesson by lesson,
in-person consult by consult or:**

You can choose the continuing student bundle

- Access to all Dance of the Eye and the Hand online videos
- Four 30-minute one-on-one consults or 2 one-hour consults with Bob
(if you are unable to come in person, these can be done with FaceTime or Zoom)
Please indicate preferred consult times on registration form

A \$520 value for \$300.

sign me up: _____

Fall 2020 registration form

For more information, call: 612 333-1881

Participant's name

Address

City/State/ZIP

Phone

Email

Amount enclosed:

or Payment online:



To register:

Complete form and send with a check (payable to Laughing Waters Studio) or pay online for instructional fees.

Consults confirmed with receipt of payment.

Mail to:

Laughing Waters Studio
3718 Minnehaha Parkway East
Minneapolis, MN 55406

One-on-one consult with Bob

To register for a private consult with Bob: indicate day, date and time you prefer. **Please mark a first choice and a second choice** and whether you are wishing a 30 minute or 60 minute session. 60 minute sessions can include a second person. If registering for more than one session, indicate A-1, A-2; B1, B2. Feel free to respond by email and pay online.

Fee: \$40/session / 30 minute session.
\$75/session / one hour (1 or 2 people).

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Online videos

No formal registration is needed to participate in the online videos.

Simply visit the distance learning section of the Laughing Waters Studio website:

visit:

<https://www.shopatlaughingwatersstudio.com/distance-learning/>

Purchase of a lesson includes the added asset of being able to receive an email critique of your work from Bob.

Payment can be made online

Fee for beginning series:

\$20/session.

10 sessions: \$200

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Fee for continuing series:

Fee: \$20/session.

10 sessions: \$200

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Fee for fall 2020 continuing series:

Fee: \$20/session.

8 sessions: \$160

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online one-day intensives

Bob's classic one-day experiences on video

Over the course of the next year, Bob will be transferring the demonstrations used in his one-day intensives into online video.

These will come accompanied with printable pdfs of the materials that are normally provided as part of the intensive.

To start off this new venture, Bob will start with the two brand new intensives that were cancelled this summer because of the COVID 19 pandemic.

Watch for their debut.

Introduction to color online intensive



Participants will:

- learn setting up a basic Chinese color palette
- loading brush for color
- experiment with building layers of color
- paint a simple landscape using color.

Painting the waters of Lake Superior online intensive



Participants will:

- plunge feet first into building a skill set to mimic a variety of moods of this great lake
- learn delicate techniques for creating water
- learn the ability to work xuan paper in varying levels of wetness
- experience the joy of working slowly.

artist reflections

the art of hope / the hope of art

3 zoom gatherings with
brush painter Bob Schmitt

In previous artist reflections at Wisdom Ways, brush artist Bob Schmitt has offered examination of his current art work, looking both at the process and the imagery to explore realities abounding in one's own spiritual development.

In this series of three Zoom-based talks, Bob will share his process in creating a massive 15 foot x 2 foot painting based on his own personal experience of dawn at Mather Point Grand Canyon.



Bob works with traditional Chinese brush painting materials and techniques. Beginning in the early days of the COVID 19 pandemic, Bob started this painting on March 25, 2020, having cancelled all face to face student classes. For the next four months this piece lived on his painting table. And in the luxury of pandemic time, he was able to consider several themes.

All of this makes for a good starting point for a conversation about the possibilities of nourishing that little seed of hope in a time of pandemic and social upheaval.

What is the art of hope and the hope of art?

In each session Bob will speak from the heart for the first half and then invite responses and queries from those gathered for that evening.

Coming this fall. Mark your calendars.

sponsored by Wisdom Ways Center for Spirituality.
For info/register, go to : www.wisdomwayscenter.org

Thursday September 17, 2020, 7pm

week one

HOPE in reflected light

- the difference between direct light and reflected light.

Thursday September 24, 2020, 7pm

week two

HOPE looking into the abyss

- the challenge of considering the canyon abyss, where it is impossible to truly determine the distance between each side.

Thursday October 1, 2020, 7pm

week three

HOPE rebrilliance

- the singularity of light bursting onto an otherwise dim, deadly and unfathomable chasm.

Art Supplies

For Chinese painting classes, all supplies can be purchased at first class or as needed. A \$80 basic painting kit that includes painting felt, brush, ink stick, ink stone, wash bowl and a roll of xuan paper is available.

Continuing students and others can purchase supplies of expendable materials: paper, ink sticks and other supplies as needed.

Order by phone or email.

Contact free pickup at studio door.



612 333-1881

bob@laughingwatersstudio.com



Instructor:

Bob Schmitt

For over 50 years, Bob has been using ink and brush in the manner of Asian brush painters. Bob is a former Early Childhood/Family Education instructor and a

trained Montessori teacher. He has trained professionally since 1998 in the study and practice of traditional Chinese landscape painting and calligraphy with Hong Zhang, a Chinese painting master from Shanghai who resides in Minneapolis. He also has studied with Chinese painting masters, Lok Tok and Yitong Lok of Toronto, Canada since 1995. Bob offers instruction with the endorsement of these three painters.

See Bob's work at: www.laughingwatersstudio.com

Visit the gallery & shop by appointment

Find paintings, scrolls, prints, cards and lanterns in the shop at Laughing Waters Studio

To make an appointment:

612 333-1881

bob@laughingwatersstudio.com



Currently classes are not being held at Laughing Waters Studio

3718 Minnehaha Parkway East, Minneapolis, MN 55406

(one block from Minnehaha Falls in south Minneapolis—three short blocks from 46th Street Station—Hiawatha Line)

