



Hello everyone and welcome to my lesson for Start Your Art! We will be mixing paint to create Color Wheels!

In this lesson, we will be mixing secondary and tertiary colors using primary colors and I also show you a Color Wheel with other colors so you can see the difference.

We will also be adding tints and shades to our colors wheels using white and black.

I have added extra information to this pdf for you, so I hope you find it inspiring and helpful in your color journey!

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Color Wheels with Louise Gale



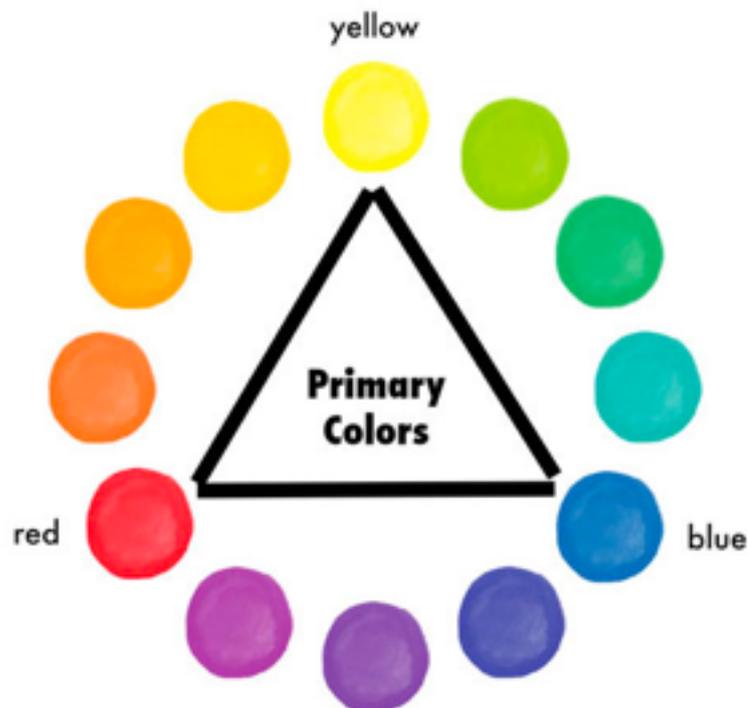
Materials List

- **Watercolor paper or mixed media paper** to draw your color wheel on or print my template onto. I prefer Canson brand, but any brand you have would be sufficient.
- Palette knife or brush to mix with
- Something to mix your paint on - I use a disposable palette, but you can use a plate or other surface.
- Paint brush to paint in your color wheel. I like to use a round brush (no5 Van Gogh brand and a no2 if you can.)
- Water jar, tissue or cleaning cloth
- **Gouache** - I use Winsor & Newton Designer Gouache (colors listed below). If you use a different brand, please check their website as they should give you recommendations on which colors to use for your primaries if they do not have the specific listed primaries in their stock. The same goes if you decide to use acrylic paint. For Winsor & Newton, I am using the following colors:
 - Primary palette: Primary Yellow, Primary Red and Primary Blue
 - Alternative Primary palette: Yellow Deep, Spectrum Red and Ultramarine Blue
- **Acrylic Paint** - If you would like to use acrylics and specifically GOLDEN, you can purchase the three main primaries in either heavy body (which is what I mostly use) or the fluid versions:
 - Primary cool palette: Primary yellow, magenta and Cyan
 - Primary warm palette: Hansa Yellow Medium, Quinacridone Magenta and Phthalo Blue (Green Shade).

Color Theory/Exploring the Color Wheel

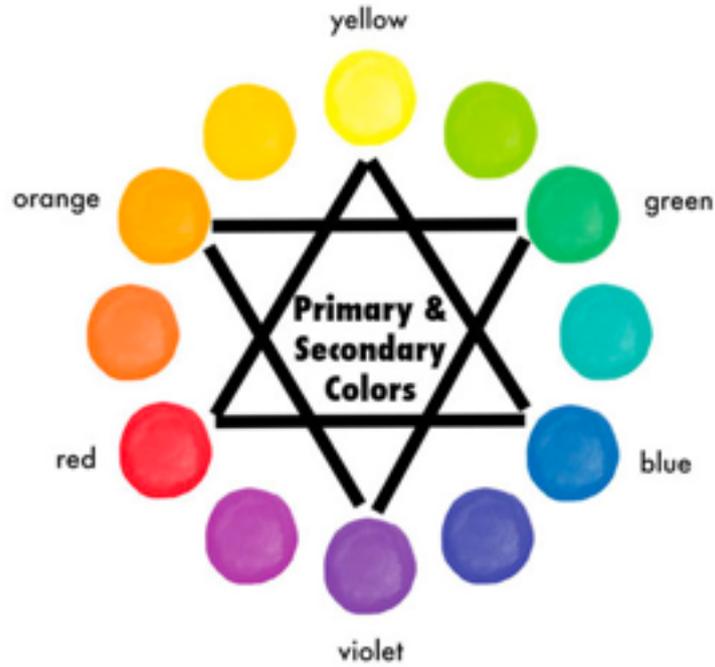
Primary Colors: Red, yellow and blue

In traditional color theory (used in paint and pigments), primary colors are the 3 pigment colors that can not be mixed or formed by any combination of other colors. All other colors are derived from these 3 hues.



Secondary Colors: Green, orange and violet

These are the colors formed by mixing the primary colors.



Tertiary Colors: Yellow-orange, red-orange, red-purple, blue-purple, blue-green & yellow-green
These are the colors formed by mixing a primary and a secondary color.



Creating harmony in your work using the color wheel

Harmony is nature's way of placing two or more things or colors that make sense together. Here



are just a few ways to harmonise color from the wheel.

Yellows, oranges, and reds are warm colors. The other colors such as greens, blues and purples opposite them on the color wheel are cool colors. You will also find that each color itself may feel warm or cool depending on the tone or shade also. So a raspberry red may feel warm to you, whereas as coral red may feel cool.

MONOCHROMATIC COLORS



These are 4 different values of the same color, from light to dark. These schemes are generally restful, calm and quiet and we are going to be exploring these mostly in this class as we work with each color individually.

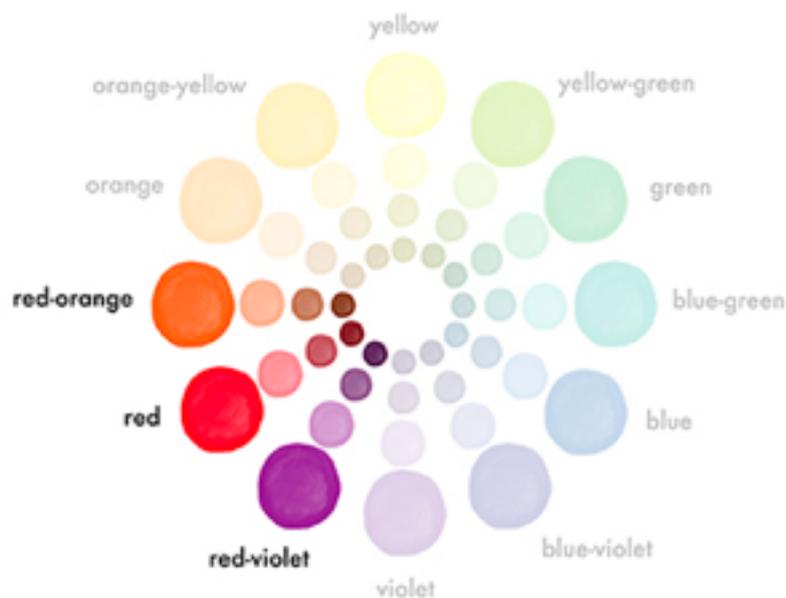
VALUE refers to the scale from light to dark, white being the lightest value and black being the darkest value.

COMPLEMENTARY COLORS



These are colors that appear opposite each other on the color wheel, such as blue + orange, red + green and yellow + violet. Because of their strong contrast, using complementary colors next to each other in your paintings will create a dynamic and vibrant pop, often drawing your eye to that place.

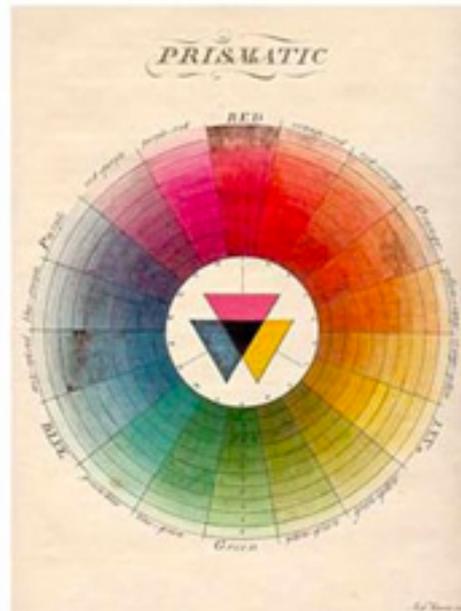
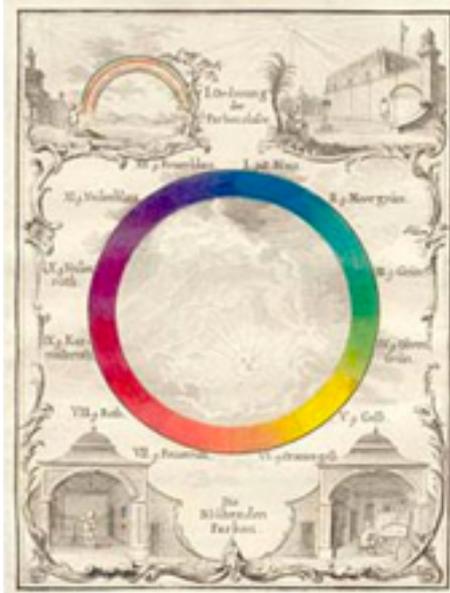
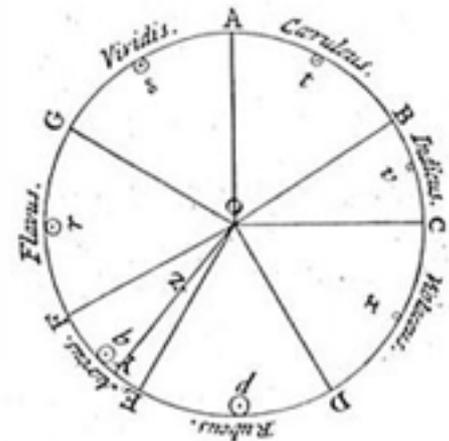
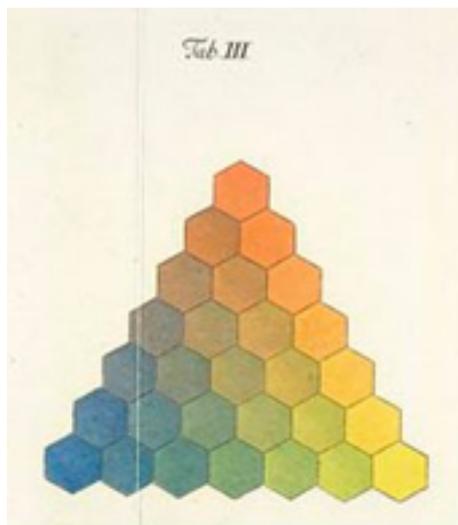
ANALOGOUS COLORS



These are colors that live next door to each other on the colour wheel such as red, orange + yellow and green, blue + violet and yellow, yellow–green, +green. Using analogous colors often creates a calm effect on the eye.

Color wheel inspiration

I am so inspired by the different ways that other creatives have depicted the color wheel. Below are some that I love, that I hope will also inspire you.



I love the vintage feel of these, showing the history of the color wheel.



Left: Yummy quilt from Lieblingsdecke. Right: Lovely embroidery from Rebecca Ringquist on Etsy



MeowKapow shop on Etsy



Left: From xeontribe. Right: Photo from pinterest



Left: Mosaic mirror! Right: *LOVE* this people color circle





Here are some gorgeous colour wheel creations from a past color challenge I hosted (2011)



Above: A few Color Wheels created by students in my Chakra Color Class.

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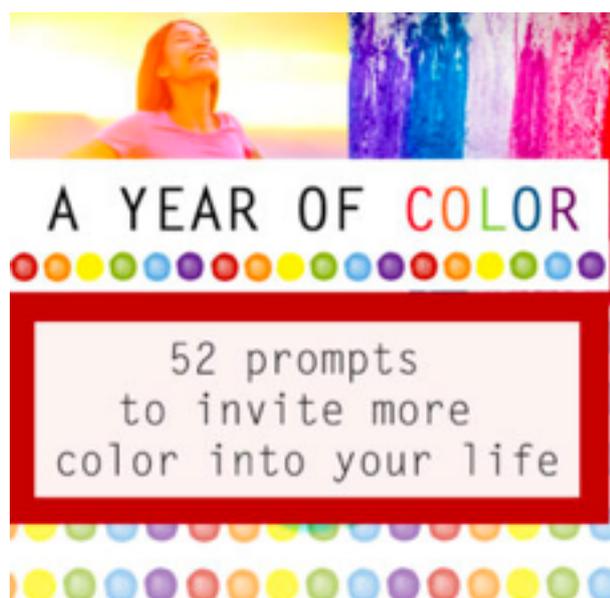
In this class, we will journey through the 7 colors of the rainbow, the 7 levels of chakra energy and create our own Mixed Media Color Journal.

Through audio color meditations, videos & creative exercises, we dig deeper into each color and the associated level of energy. How each color speaks to us, makes us feel and triggers our creative intuition. You will get exactly what you need from each of the colors.

We will explore and play through:

- Color vision journaling
- Collage
- Photography
- Painting

Learn more here: <https://classes.louisegale.com/product/chakra-color-art-journal/>



Join me to dive into color energy in your world.

52 prompts/lessons and color information to help you to invite color into your life and explore how it affects you on a daily basis. (includes color mixing and color wheel videos!)

When I started my own 'understanding' color journey back in 2010, I knew I was going to change my own life for the better.

'A Year of Color' invites you to learn about the healing power of color energy and to invite more color into our lives everyday.

Learn more here: <https://classes.louisegale.com/product/a-year-of-color/>



Creating and using Color Palettes

Episode 7



Botanical Mandalas *mindfulness series*

Join me to dive into the world of color, color palettes, combinations and creating harmony in your work inspired by color recipes we find in nature. In this class, we will:

- Learn the basics of color theory to get started and create your own color wheels, charts and references in various materials.
- Build your color confidence by mixing our own colors, color scales, tints, shades and so on!
- Look to nature for color palette inspiration and build our own library of color recipes for your mandala designs
- Use photos to record color recipes
- Start a Color Palette Journal to record all your beautiful recipes!
- Explore various materials to see the difference in hue, texture and application to our designs. (such

as pencil, paint, pastel, gouache, inks etc)

- Bonus: Downloads of Botanical Mandala Coloring pages to practice your unique color combinations on!

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Other Color Inspiration from Louise

I love to find color palettes from nature and here are just a few!

