DRAWING IN THE CHARCOAL MEDIUM

Materials needed:

PENCILS AND STICKS # 2 REGULAR LEAD PENCIL, NEWSPAPER PAPER (PAD)

#2, #4 charcoal pencil and possible #7 charcoal stick and a white conte pencil (prefered) or a white pastel stick.

BLENDERS

Paper tissues, cotton balls, paper stumps (tortillons and large paper stumps) and your fingers if they are not wet or oily.

PAPERS

Brown papers, such as a paper shopping bag or heavy brown wrapping paper. Charcoal paper in white and tones. Grey and cream tones are excellent for establishing a medium all over tone for your drawing.

FIXATIVE

When you have finished your charcoal drawing. You should spray it with a matte finish fixative. This will stop the charcoal from smudging.

The first lesson next week in charcoal drawing will be using a brown paper bag, #2, #4 charcoal pencil and a white conte pencil, stumps, tissue and kneaded eraser.