# TECHNIQUE OF PAINTING WITH OIL PAINTS ON CANVAS USING A PALETTE KNIFE

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#### Introduction

allowing you to complete the picture in one session (or in two or more sessions, but in separate parts, each in one layer). Art has been an integral part of human existence for centuries. It serves as a means of expressing, conveying ideas and emotions that go beyond words. Painting is one of the most popular art forms and over the years several techniques have been developed to create beautiful works of art. One such technique is the use of oil paints on canvas, enhanced by the use of a painting tool known as the Mastechin (1). This article talks about the art of oil painting, the Mastechin tool and how to create amazing works of art with it.

Art is a reflection of the artist's soul and feelings on canvas. Great artists of the past and present create real masterpieces using a variety of techniques and materials. One of the most beautiful and popular techniques is oil painting. In this article, we will look at the use of a palette knife in oil painting on canvas.

Oil paints are one of the most popular types of paints in the art world. This material is ideal for creating vibrant and saturated colors, and allows artists to create real masterpieces on their canvases.

One of the most interesting and relevant methods of using oil paints is the palette knife technique. With its help, the artist has the ability to create textured surfaces in his works, which can give them additional volume and objectivity.

oil painting

Oil painting is a technique that involves mixing pigment with oil to create a smooth, glossy surface on canvas. This technique originated in the 15th century (1), when artists began to mix oil with paint to create a brighter and more lasting effect, and became the most popular technique in the history of painting. Since then, the technique has evolved, allowing artists to create lifelike depictions of people, objects, and landscapes.

Oil paints are usually made by mixing dry pigment (4-9) with a liquid binder such as linseed oil or walnut oil. The pigments used in oil paints can be synthetic or natural. After the paint is applied to the canvas, it takes several days to dry, depending on the thickness of the paint, humidity and ambient temperature.

There are various ways to apply oil paint to canvas, and the palette knife is one of them. Palette knife - used to apply paint to the canvas, as well as to create various effects and textures.

Palette knife tool

The Mastechin tool is a drawing tool that originated in Italy. It is a small, rectangular spatulalike tool used to apply and spread oil paint on canvas. The Mastechin tool is made of stainless steel and has a blunt straight edge that can be used for applying and mixing oil paint.

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The Mastechin tool helps artists achieve a variety of effects that are difficult to achieve with a brush. For example, it can be used to create smooth, even strokes that retain their thickness, as well as to blend two or more colors to create smooth gradations. The Mastechin tool can also be used to remove paint, creating a textural effect on the surface of the canvas.

Painting technique with the Mastechin tool

To paint with oil paints on canvas using a palette knife, the following materials are needed:

- 1. Canvas
- 2. Oil paints (4-9)
- 3. Palette knife (1)
- 4. Solvent (7-14)
- 5. Brushes

The first step in this technique is surface preparation. The canvas must be stretched over a frame and then primed. Primer (10-14) is the basis for paint, which makes the surface more even and resistant to corrosion. The thinner is also used to create special effects such as voluminous strokes and wetting.

After preparing the canvas, the artist begins to create his work with a palette knife. The palette knife allows you to create various effects such as halos, shadows and textures and can be used as a wash to blend colors.

When the work is done, the last step is to fix the paint. To do this, you can use wax or varnish. Benefits of using a palette knife

The palette knife is a handy tool for creating textures and effects in oil painting. It allows the artist to create different types of effects that cannot be achieved with brushes. Using a palette knife also saves time on mixing paints and cleaning brushes.

To paint with the Mastechin tool, start by setting up your canvas and oil paints. Mix the colors on the palette and dilute them with a little oil if they are too thick. Load the Mastechin tool with paint and apply it to the canvas in a long, even stroke. Use the edge of the Mastechin tool to create thin lines, or scrape off paint to create texture.

To mix colors, use Mastechin's clean tool and drag the paint over the previously applied paint. This technique creates a smooth, even gradation of colors. To create highlights or highlights, use the Mastechin tool to scrape off the paint, revealing the lighter color underneath.

The Mastechina tool can also be used to create a layered effect, allowing you to create layers of paint to create depth and texture. For example, you can use the Mastechina tool to apply a thick layer of paint onto a canvas and scrape off some of it to create a textured effect, often used in the alla prima technique (3) to complete the painting in one session (or two or more sessions). , but in separate parts, each in one layer).

The technique of painting with oil paints using a palette knife has its own characteristics:

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First, the artist should always have on hand several types of brushes of various sizes and shapes, which will allow him to create various effects on the canvas. In addition, it is necessary to purchase high-quality oil paints that will be evenly applied to the surface of the canvas.

The second feature of the palette knife technique is that the artist must use a special device - a palette knife. With it, you can create not only textures of various densities on canvas, but also blurry lines that resemble pastel paint strokes.

The technique of oil painting using a palette knife is a very creative and interesting approach to creating works of art. It allows artists to express their ideas and feelings in a variety of ways, adding richness and dimension to their artwork.

All in all, the palette knife technique is a great way to refine your creative process and add a new dimension to your work. It can be used both in the framework of individual work and in the creation of collective works of art. In any case, the use of this technique will allow artists to unleash their creativity and create real masterpieces on their canvases.

#### Conclusion

In conclusion, the Mastechin tool is an essential tool in the art of oil painting. This allows artists to create various effects that are difficult to achieve with a brush. To paint with the Mastechin tool, mix the paints, load the tool with paint, and use it to apply and distribute the paint on the canvas. You can use it to create smooth, even strokes, blend colors, create texture, and create layers. With practice, you can use the Mastechin tool to create stunning works of art that will leave a lasting impression.

Painting with oil paints using a palette knife is an interesting and unique technique that allows you to create unique works.

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