



## The Essentials of Paper

**Nancy Spielman**, Artist Educator for Strathmore Artist Papers™, will present “**The Essentials of Paper**”, a 90-minute hands-on presentation on Strathmore Drawing and Watercolor Papers. The presentation will focus on how understanding a paper’s fiber, weight, texture, surface, grade and permanency affect an artist’s choice and usage of fine art paper. Attendees participate in hands-on exercises, using a selection of papers and drawing materials. The goal of the presentation is to provide information to help artists select the right papers for their medium and techniques.

**The presentation will cover all aspects of fine art drawing papers including:**

- **History of Writing Surfaces:** *parchment to papyrus to paper*
- **History of Paper:** *from China to Europe*
- **How Paper is Made:** *past and present*
- **Handmade paper vs. Machine made paper**
- **Components of Paper:** *fiber, watermark, surface texture, sizing, weight, permanence.*
- **Environmentally friendly papers and alternative fibers:** *cotton, wood, hemp*
- **Types of Paper:** *newsprint, sketching, drawing, bristol, illustration, charcoal, pastel, watercolor, mixed-media, printmaking*
- **Grades of Paper:** 300, 400, 500 Series: *for students, artists, professionals*
- **Paper Storage**

Attendees will receive **FREE**:

- Strathmore papers & literature
- Selection of drawing materials
- Watercolor brush



### **About the Presenter**

Nancy Spielman is a painter living in Delray Beach, Florida. She received her M.F.A. from Florida Atlantic University and her B.S. from Southern Illinois University, with a major in Graphic Design. Nancy currently teaches Studio Art classes at Florida Atlantic University. She participates in Daily Painters, which focuses on small scale paintings. Her inspiration comes from everyday ordinary encounters. Nancy received the South Florida Cultural Consortium Award in 2009. As an Artist Educator for Strathmore Artist Papers, Nancy gives lectures annually on the attributes and uses of fine art papers. Her work can be viewed at [www.nancyspielman.com](http://www.nancyspielman.com)

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**TIME:** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

**PLACE:** PBSC – Lake Worth, Florida

**ROOM:** HU101