



COLORADO SPRINGS

Fine Arts Center

at COLORADO COLLEGE

Black & White Open Darkroom

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Supply List

You will need basically the same supplies as for the Black and White Darkroom Class:

A 35mm or medium format film camera.

Estimated cost for a reliable used film camera with a 50mm lens is around \$150-\$250

Supplies:

Your favorite traditional Black and White film.

Estimated cost for film is from about \$30 – \$50 depending on how much film you expect to use for this class (film prices range from around \$8.00 – \$15.00 per roll).

Paper* – One package of 8x10 photo paper (a 25-sheet package is enough to get you started). Please purchase RC (resin-coated) variable contrast paper. Ilford Multigrade RC is the most commonly available brand and most people like the “Pearl” surface and available in 25, 50 and 100-sheet packages. Arista EDU paper is another more economical brand and available from Freestyle Photographic Supply and B&H Photo.

Estimated costs: 25-sheet pack \$35.00 – \$45.00, \$84.00 for 50 sheets (Ilford Multigrade), and \$115 – \$145.00 for a 100-sheet box.

Additional supplies:

Pen and notebook for class notes and field notes

Old hand towel – good to have for film processing (bring it to the 2nd class)

3-ring binder (for your negatives and contact sheets) – estimated cost: \$4-6

Canned air or *Rocket-air Blower* (optional) (\$14-20) and/or anti-static cloth (\$14.00)

The total estimated cost for supplies (excluding camera and optional items) ranges from about \$125.00 to \$235.00



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Local camera stores carry most of the photographic supplies:

Cameraworks, 5030 N. Academy Blvd. (Academy & Union) 594-6966

Cameraworks offers a **student discount** on some items and is a good place to purchase a used film camera.

Mike's Camera, 5420 N Academy (Montebello Plaza) 597-1575

(Mike's stocks a selection of both B&W film and Paper)

Recommended Internet/ mail order stores:

Freestyle Photographic Supply – www.freestylephoto.biz

Freestyle Photo has a good selection of Black and White films and papers. Arista.edu film and paper are of good quality and less expensive options than Ilford or Kodak.

Adorama (1-888-805-4900) or www.adorama.com

B & H Photo and Video – www.bhphotovideo.com

- * **Please note that film and photographic paper are nonreturnable. You won't need to have all your supplies for the first session, except perhaps a roll of film to load into your camera on the first day. You may wish to wait until after the first session before purchasing everything.**