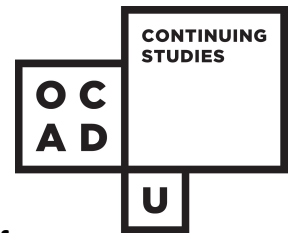


CSAP-N133 Bookbinding Studio

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MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

Basic Useful tools and materials are quite minimal and a basic kit can consist of:

- pencils
- steel ruler
- mat-knife
- cutting-mat
- needles and thread
- glues and
- papers for pages and covers, heavy 4-ply mat-board for covers and other cover

Most supplies can be purchased at many art supply stores: **Aboveground Art Supplies in Toronto or DeSerre's (Toronto and Ottawa)**, or where you are located: papers, thread, tools, cover material. Needles are harder. Don't be fooled by the large 'bookbinder's needle' that comes in some needle kits. You need a 'long darning' with a large, but not huge, eye. Once you have thread you can see what a dressmaker's shop has that fits.

Japanese papers, pastes, tools can be purchased at: **The Paper Place** – 887 Queen St. W. For more specialized knowledge of Japanese papers and professional attention, make an appointment at the **Japanese Paper Place** www.japanesepaperplace.com located in Etobicoke. They have one of the largest warehouses of imported papers in the world and can be very helpful.

Basic kits that will provide many of the tools needed (needles, threads, folder, awl, etc.) can be sourced on Amazon. There are various combinations of similar items available on Amazon, coming from different locations.

Here is an example on Amazon:

<https://www.amazon.ca/Bookbinding/dp/B07SFTWPHX>

You do not need Everything! Look for the kit that has what you want and ships quickly to your location: bone folder, needles and threads may be the hardest things to source locally, and these kits will have them. Most of these kits have heavy waxed threads which work well with many of the non-adhesive sewing we will do but will feel heavier than desirable for others. Ideally, one would like to find lightly waxed, No.12, 18 or 25 weight 3-cord linen thread, but this can be expensive to order from the professional suppliers such as **TALAS** because of the shipping.

International online professional suppliers include:

TALAS, New York: www.talasonline.com

Shepherds Bookbinders & Falkiner Fine Paper, London, UK: bookbinding.co.uk

These are professional suppliers for bookbinding and conservation supplies – check them out even if you don't order. They will have everything you might need and ship direct from online ordering, but be aware that shipping is expensive and takes time