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ARTISTS' MATERIAL KIT

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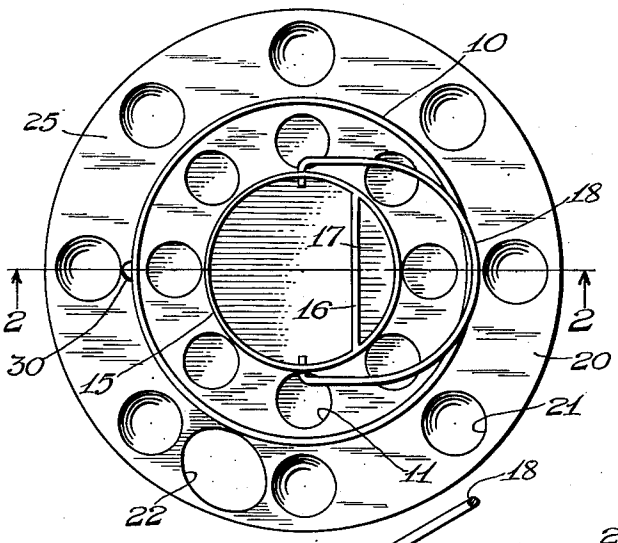


Fig. 1

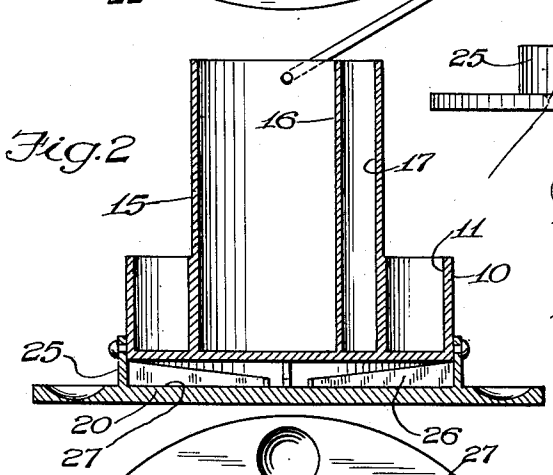


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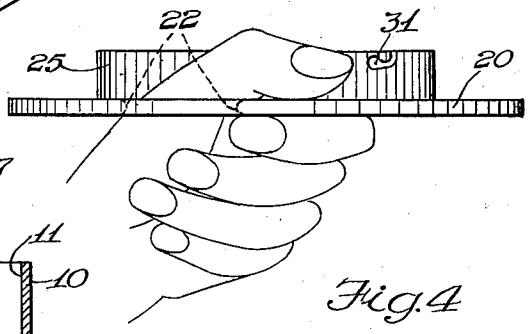


Fig. 4

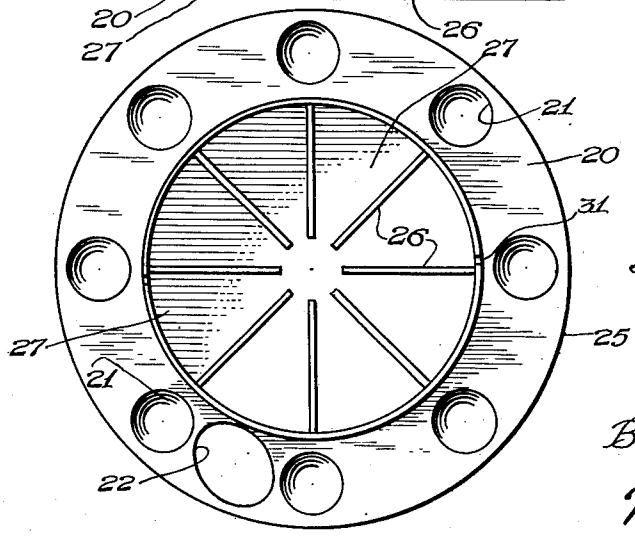


Fig. 3

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My invention relates to the handling and use of artists' materials and sundries, and involves the question of convenience in such use. Generally, artists' materials include tubes of paint, brushes, water containers and palettes. These items are usually handled or employed separately, and involve more or less confusion and loss of time because of their tendency to become scattered or mislaid. Also, when the materials are required to be taken or carried from one place to another for use, their separate nature often makes it troublesome or inconvenient to gather or carry them properly.

It is therefore one object of the present invention to provide a kit which is designed in a manner to conveniently group the necessary materials and accessories for handy keeping or transportation.

A further object is to provide an assembly of a materials carrier and a palette, with the latter removable for individual use.

Another object is to construct the novel kit along lines of compactness and simplicity.

With the above objects in view, and any others which may suggest themselves from the description to follow, a better understanding of the invention may be had by reference to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Fig. 1 is a top plan view of the kit;

Fig. 2 is a section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a top plan view of the palette; and

Fig. 4 is an elevation of the palette, showing the preferred way of holding the same.

In accordance with the foregoing, specific reference to the drawing indicates the body of the kit as a toroidal unit 10 formed with a series of deep wells 11 in its upper surface. The unit 10 may be made solid or molded hollow for lightness; and its material may be metal or plastic. The wells are intended as receptacles for tubes of paint in the various water colors.

The body 10 is built around a tall, bucket-like vessel 15 of cylindrical form and open at the top. The vessel has a vertical partition 16 near one side; and the vessel is intended for a filling of water while the lateral compartment 17 thereof may receive brushes forming part of the kit. The upper part of the vessel is perforated on opposite sides to receive a bail 18 by means of which the kit may be carried.

A novel type of palette is designed for assembly with the body structure to complete the kit. Thus, the palette is in the form of a large disc 20 of circular form and made with a circular series of shallow depressions 21 in its upper surface. The disc 20 also has a relatively larger oval opening 22 for the passage of the thumb as shown in Fig. 4 for holding the disc in the manner of a palette.

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The disc has an upstanding circular flange 25 a short distance inwardly of the series of depressions 21; and a series of radial ribs 26 extend inwardly from the flange 25 to end in spaced relation to each other near the center of the disc. Also, the upper edges of the ribs 26 are inclined inwardly, as indicated in Fig. 2. The depressions 21 are designed to receive portions of the various paints, while the ribs 26 serve as partitions to define compartments 27 where the paints may be mixed as desired.

It is preferable that the palette 20 be made of the same material as the body portion of the kit; and the flange 25 is designed to receive the body 10 with a sliding fit when the same is lowered upon the palette as shown in Fig. 2. It is desirable to secure the palette to the body 10 at such time as the kit is to be carried or stored, and any suitable means may be provided for this purpose. However, I have illustrated a simple device comprising a pair of headed studs 30 projecting from opposite sides of the body 10 and adapted to engage a pair of correspondingly located bayonet slots 31 made in the flange 25, so that the palette is prevented from separation or accidental loss while the kit is being carried.

It will be apparent that the novel kit is an article of a convenient and handy nature. Thus, it assembles the paint holders, water vessel and brush holder in a compact unit made or molded in one piece; and the palette by its flat construction serves as a bottom for the body portion of the kit which may be assembled with the latter when the kit is to be stored or carried. Yet, such bottom is easily detachable for independent use as a palette. In the latter form it has ample surface for the use of many paints and mixtures, and can be conveniently held in the manner of the conventional palette. Altogether, the kit constitutes a sturdy and compact assembly which may be made in different colors or ornamental effects to serve the purpose of utility and present an attractive appearance.

While I have described the invention along specific lines, various minor changes or refinements may be made therein without departing from its principle, and I reserve the right to employ all such changes and refinements as may come within the scope and spirit of the appended claims.

I claim:

1. In a kit for artists' materials the combina-

tion which consists of a disc shaped base palette having a series of shallow depressions around the rim thereof, said disc having a thumb receiving oval opening therein, an upstanding circular flange spaced inwardly of the depressions, a plurality of radial ribs extending inwardly from the circular flange and terminating adjacent the center of the palette disc and forming paint mixing compartments, a torodial unit having a circular base fitting within the upstanding flange of the palette and disengagedly connected thereto, said torodial unit having extending from its base upwardly a cylindrical water receiving compartment, a vertical partition within said compartment to form an elongated brush receiving compartment and a plurality of relatively deep paint tube receiving wells formed circumferentially around the base of the water and brush receiving compartments.

2. In a kit for artists' materials, the improvement which consists of a circular base plate palette having a plurality of shallow depressions around its rim and in the upper surface thereof, an integral upstanding circular flange extending from the palette, and a plurality of radially disposed ribs extending inwardly from the circular flange and terminating in spaced relation near the center of the palette, a receptacle having a circular base removably connected to the upstanding flange, said receptacle having a circular upstanding wall forming a water container, a vertical partition within said container and a plurality of relatively deep wells spaced around the circular wall of the water container.

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