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Oil painting has been a popular form of art since 13th century in England, where painters used oil paints to decorate. However, in the early era, painters usually preferred tempera more than oil paints, as they dried faster than oil paints. In the 15th century artists began to use a mix of tempera and oil paints. It was not until the 17th century when pure oil paints started being used as an art medium. There are several benefits of oil painting, some of them are:

Oil painting is almost everyone can do with a little know-how. The materials for oil painting can be easily bought from any store selling art supply. The themes can vary as the painter has the full freedom to use his creativity skill while doing oil painting.

Versatility is yet another benefit of oil painting. The canvases usually lay

flat against a wall, and can be moved with convenience to different locations. Unlike other art forms like ceramics, and sculptures, they are not fragile and don't require too much of space.

Oil painting requires less drying time as they are made up of color pigments that are mixed with oil. Some artists find this attribute of oil painting quite troublesome, but painting is an art form that requires patience. Therefore, all artists must learn the art of oil painting.

Oil paints are of robust quality. They can also be left open for longer working hours. The oil paints don't dry up fast, thus artists can use the paints for several sessions without fearing that the paint will dry up.

Oil paints can bring special glaze effects on the canvas which lends beauty and glamour to the painting.

Oil paints are also considered great for mixing well with surrounding paint. When applied on canvas, oil paints create artistic brush strokes, which are not possible using other types of paints.

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