

A brief history of the store



As told by the owner, Kirk Taylor:

John Askew Paint Store was founded in 1946 by my grandfather, who worked crews of painters, paperhangers, and floor finishers. He wanted a store to supply the needs of these workers, and over the following years my father, T.K. Taylor, learned from him by helping him run the contracting business and working with the customers on the showroom floor. In 1957, I began working at the store, on week-days during the summer and Saturdays year round. In 1960, my father bought it and continued helping my grandfather manage a small crew of painters until my grandfather's death in 1968. Eventually, the name was changed to Askew-Taylor Paints.

In 1967, my father allowed me to put \$1100 worth of art supplies in a corner. By the 1980's, the art business had grown to be more than half the total business. While I don't know all of the things that my father and grandfather knew about paint, I did learn a lot from them. My father told me in the 1960's that the only thing necessary to be successful was to take care of each customer's needs to the best of your ability and the business would grow through word of mouth. This reflected John Askew's philosophy of business as well. Now it is my goal to implement that philosophy as well as they did. — TKT Jr.

Where to find us

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How to find us

We are located on the downtown end of Glenwood Avenue about a block off of Hillsborough Street. Our building is easy to spot. Just look for the big, red awnings and the collection of artists' fliers in the window.

From the Beltline:

Get off at the Glenwood/Crabtree Valley Mall exit and head toward downtown (away from the mall). Keep going about 4.5 miles. Our building will be on the left.

Thank you for your interest in our store. Because of our longevity in this location and our limited amount of space, we realize that all the products we carry may not be readily apparent. Unlike the trendy new super-marts and grocery stores, which have clearly labeled isles, we have a vast series of shelving and cubby holes. Because of this, we welcome questions about the location and availability of our products.

Remember, if you don't see it, ask for it. *We may surprise you.*

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A Tradition of Excellence



Discover a world of art supplies...

Take paint for example...

We stock both student and professional grades of acrylics, oils, and watercolors in several brands, including Golden, Windsor & Newton, Graham, Createx, Old Holland, and DaVinci. Additionally, we have gessoes, mediums, temperas, glazes, and glass paint. We also carry a wide range of essential supplies, such as brushes, carry cases, pallets, and easels.



What about paper and canvas?

No art store would be complete without the appropriate surfaces on which to work the magic of an artist's chosen medium. We offer a large selection:

- Stretcher strips and canvas by-the-yard
- Pre-stretched canvas and canvas boards
- Watercolor paper in pads, blocks, and single sheets
- Illustration boards
- Sketch, drawing, and charcoal pads
- And the list goes on!



Why choose Askew-Taylor?

At Askew-Taylor, we do our best to stock the products you need and use, to help you find them in a timely manner, and to offer them at reasonable prices. Our policy is to never let our price exceed the recommended retail price on any product, and in most cases we beat the retail price. And, yes, we do take special orders. If you're looking for a hard to find product or need more of something than we usually keep on hand, let us know. We also do large group orders and can arrange to stock the supplies for a particular art class or group project.



Anything else besides traditional art supplies?

Here is a partial list of some of the other products we carry:

- Drafting pens and pencils
- Calligraphy and India inks
- Acetate and Mylar™ brand film
- Screen printing supplies
- Block printing supplies
- Mat board, foam board, chip board
- Airbrushes
- Clays, glazes, and armature wire
- Styrene tubing, girders, and sheets
- Basswood and balsa pieces and sheets
- Scenery kits
- Model builders' paints



All that and models too!

Although it may seem strange for a store like Askew-Taylor to sell model airplanes, models have turned out to be a natural extension of our hobbies supplies line. We were already purchasing things like model trees and epoxy. So, we thought, why not?