



Content Area: Visual & Media Arts

Grade Level: 8

Course Name: Visual & Media Art

Course Description: In grades 6-8 students will build upon their elementary visual art and design work. Art is scheduled for the equivalent of ten weeks in each grade. Units of study over grades 6-7-8 cumulatively provide the foundation for the full year HS Graduation Credit courses of Studio Art & Design & Media Art & Design. Creative career exploration, critical analysis and interpretation of visual content, art history and culture exposure and use of digital media for research, art making and self-expression are prevalent each year. Sketchbook assignments for practice and reinforcement of concepts and techniques support the classroom experience.

**Art 8**

Units covered in grade 8 art include:

- Illusion of Depth: involving linear and atmospheric perspective techniques.
- Human Proportion: with focus on capturing accurate facial and figure proportions
- Graphic Design: focus on 2D design layout, typography & image commercial messaging
- 3D Design: Creating sculptural form in the round using clay as a medium.

| Units- Length of Time | Description   |
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| Illusion of Depth     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Linear perspective</li><li>● Horizon line</li><li>● Vanishing point</li></ul> |

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|                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orthogonal lines</li> <li>• Parallel</li> <li>• Perpendicular</li> <li>• Receding</li> </ul>  |
| Human Proportion        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facial proportions</li> <li>• Body proportions</li> </ul>   |
| Graphic Design          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Composition</li> <li>• Elements of Art</li> <li>• Principles of Design</li> <li>• Layout</li> <li>• Typography</li> <li>• Text</li> </ul>   |
| 3D Design               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-the-round, sculpture</li> </ul> <p>Ceramics terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slab</li> <li>• Greenware</li> <li>• Leatherhard</li> <li>• Bisque</li> <li>• Glaze</li> </ul> |
| Big Ideas & Connections | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural Traditions • Design Thinking • Innovation • Conceptual Vocabulary</li> </ul>   |
| Presenting              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analyze the way an exhibition is presented</li> <li>• Learn ways to share digital artwork</li> </ul>  |
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| NYS Standard                      | Links   |
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| Anchor Standards                  | <a href="https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/all-arts-process-anchor-8.5x11.pdf">https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/all-arts-process-anchor-8.5x11.pdf</a>   |
| At-A-Glance Visual Arts Standards | <a href="https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/nys-visual-arts-at-a-glance-final-8-2-2017-high-res-v2.pdf">https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/nys-visual-arts-at-a-glance-final-8-2-2017-high-res-v2.pdf</a> |
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| Department Guide                  | <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Clpt8lKE-lel4Q6YYwRU-15foq6YHckuaGalCpfsPJI/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Clpt8lKE-lel4Q6YYwRU-15foq6YHckuaGalCpfsPJI/edit?usp=sharing</a>   |