

Artist Research Paper

The purpose of this paper is to learn about a specific artist's background, their inspiration(s), and to look deeper into their work. You will use this artist's work as inspiration for your first piece. You can find inspiration from either my "SeenIt" blog on my webpage, the iBook from iTunesU, or your choice. HOWEVER, if it's your choice, please get it okayed with me first.

Do you have the following in your paper:

- **3 Parts** (4-5 sentences is a paragraph, and let's pretend we are in high school...so not writing sentences like: "There is line. There is shape." If you need help to improve your writing, I am more than happy to help ☺)

_____ 1st Part/Paragraph (Artist Background/Biography) ----5 points

- Introduce artist/why you were attracted to his/her work
- Where he/she went for their undergrad and their masters? (on resume/CV)
- How many solo shows have they had?
- Has he/she been part of group shows?
- Has he/she been awarded anything?
- Has he/she been published in any books or articles?

_____ 2nd Part/Paragraph---- 5 points

- What inspires him/her to create?
- What ideas/concepts (if any) does he/she explore/communicate?

_____ 3rd Part (2-3 Paragraphs)--- 10 points

- Analyze of piece of their work using the 4 Steps:
 - Describe and Analyze
 - What do you see? What does this remind you of? What kind of material is used? What and where are the art elements in the piece? What other art principles are visible? Be objective, don't state subjective statements like "this beautiful piece". Just tell me what I am looking at.
 - Interpret
 - Based on what is visible, how can you persuade me what this is used for or what story is this piece trying to tell? Doing that prelim research on the artist and his/her background should help with why he/she made this. You can be subjective, as long as you can back it up.
 - Judgment
 - Is this a successful piece, why? What is your take on it? Why do you want to use this for your own inspiration?

_____ Art Imagery (especially of the piece you are analyzing)---- 1 point

_____ Heading in top right corner of the page---- 1 point

- Your Name
- Class and hour
- Date

_____ Proper Grammar and Punctuation----3 points

_____ Submit as a Flattened PDF to Schoology