

Art Syllabus

Grade 8

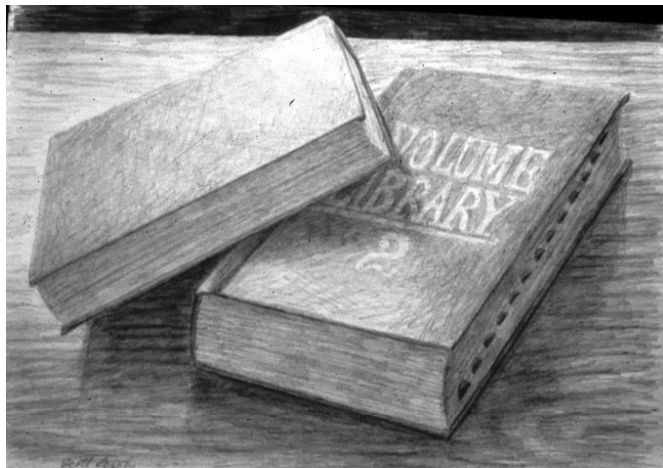
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Homework Assignments: <http://bluelavaart.com/isf.html>

Course Description

In this course you will develop visual and manipulative skills and continue to explore new media and forms of artistic expression. You will develop the skills involved in organizing a composition, shading to create illusion, and the use of one and two point perspective to create spatial depth. You will learn to look at negative space, proportion, balance, design, color and the use of imaginative, symbolic and decorative elements. You will learn to critique works of art both verbally and written. You will build on their understanding of art historical movements, techniques and history. Using our environment as a point of departure, you will explore the space around us: the school, the landscape and the city of Florence itself.



Some of our projects and techniques

- Perspective drawings
- Stipple drawings
- Chiaroscuro (shading from light to dark)
- Pen and ink drawings
- Figure drawing
- Still life rendering
- Art historical inspired artworks
- Charcoal drawings
- Landscape Drawing
- Color theory
- and more

Assessment

Assessment is based on your quality of class participation, portfolio review, sketchbooks/homework assignments and in-class critiques. Detailed descriptors of the grading rubrics will be discussed and posted.

Homework

Homework assignments will be explained in class the start of each week and they will be due at the start of the following week. List of all homework assignments and due dates can be found online at:

<http://bluelavaart.com/isf.html> and on eportal Homework assignments 1 day later are 1 grade lower.

Materials needed

You need these supplies for class everyday.

- **Drawing pencil**
- **White rubber eraser**

The following materials for home art assignments . Keep these supplies at home.

- A4 spiral or hard cover bound sketchbook
- Drawing pencils (2b-6b)
- Charcoal pencil, black – 4b soft
- Charcoal pencil, white
- A set of twelve Prismacolor colored pencils (good quality colored pencils)
- White Plastic Eraser
- Black ultra fine Uni-ball pen (gel pen)
- Spray workable matte fixatif. (Aerosol Hairspray's OK, but not as good)
This is used to spray on your drawings you complete at home. It prevents them from getting smudged during transport to and from school.