Æsthetics

Resources:

Teacher notes, other art books & texts as needed

Prerequisites:

Acceptance into Senior year

Course Description:

Æsthetics studies various artists, musicians, and their genres, while concentrating on how culture and history play a role in its development and acceptance. The students are asked to participate in class discussion, lecture, essay writing, and to develop presentations as well as other group activities / projects.

Course Objectives:

- 1. To learn about and develop an appreciation for a variety of artistic and musical genres and
- 2. To learn about a variety of artists and musicians
- 3. To develop a knowledge base of the history and cultural influences that impact the art / music world

Course Goals:

- 1. To develop one's artistic knowledge and appreciation
- 2. To express oneself knowledgably in terms of artistic references
- 3. To complete all projects, writings, and homework in a timely manner
- 4. To pass all knowledge assessments

Evaluation:

Tests, quizzes, essays, and other projects and/ or presentations will be used to assess and evaluate the students.

Course Sequence: (may be amended by teacher as needed)

- I. Art Concepts
 - A. Principles of Design
 - B. Elements of Design
 - C. Values of Art
- II. Art Movements
 - A. Ancient civilizations
 - B. Renaissance

- C. Baroque
- D. Impressionism
- E. Post-Impressionism
- F. Dada
- G. Cubism
- H. Expressionism
- I. Surrealism
- J. Ashcan School
- K. Modernism
- L. Contemporary
- M. Futurism
- N. Harlem Renaissance
- O. Abstract Expressionism
- P. Pre-Raphaelites
- Q. Pop Art
- R. Others as time permits

III. Music

- A. Prehistoric instruments
- B. Musical components
- C. Ancient Greek and Roman
- D. Early Christian (European)
- E. Early secular (European)
- F. Renaissance
- G. Baroque
 - 1. Bach
 - 2. Handel
 - 3. Vivaldi
- H. Classical
 - 1. Hayden
 - 2. Mozart
 - 3. Beethoven
- I. Romantic
- J. Beethoven
- K. Brahms
 - 1. Tchaikovsky
- L. Liszt
 - 1. Chopin
 - 2. Verdi
- M. Wagner
- N. Patriotic
 - 1. WWI
 - 2. WWII
- O. Blues
- P. Jazz
- Q. Rock-n-Roll
- R. Contemporary (time permitting)