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Foundations in Art 8

Foundations in Art seeks to build essential skills and knowledge for creating and analyzing art and visual media. In 8th Grade Foundations, students will be using the artistic process to explore their own understanding of themselves and how they want to express that to the world. Students will engage with drawing, painting, photography, digital collage, assemblage sculpture, and other mediums. Through a series of projects, students will explore formal concepts including compositional balance, shape, contrast, figure/ground, negative/positive space, and color feelings. Students will also explore ideas around including portraiture, symbolism, and narrative. Throughout the course, we will be looking at a wide range of work from contemporary and historical artists and makers; we will focus on the particular identity and perspective of these makers in order to help us better reflect upon ourselves and the art we make. We will also consider the ethics of making and viewing images in a complex, shared visual culture.