Visual and Performing Arts Elementary Art Unit 1: Sculpture, Construction & Ceramics

Essential	 Artists use a variety of concepts, media, skills, and processes to
Understandings	create 3-dimensional works of art.
	 Sculpture, construction, and ceramics can be created for a
	variety of purposes.
Essential Questions	What skills, techniques, and processes are necessary in order to
	create works of sculpture, construction, and ceramics?
	How is 3-dimensional art different than 2-dimensional art or how
	is it the same?
	 How does function play a role in the creation of a work of art?
Essential Knowledge	 In 3-dimensional art, the Elements and Principles of Art and
	Design are used to create a work of art.
	Artists use a variety of media, tools, and techniques to create
	and express through sculpture, construction, and ceramics.
Vocabulary	 Terms: 2-D, 3-D, form, shape, movement, pottery, function,
	hand-building, slab-building, slab roller, score, slip, smooth,
	leather hard, wedging, bone dry, coil, pinch-pot, kiln, mold,
	template, armature, balance, texture, fire, glaze, underglaze,
	hollow, attach, found-object, construction.
Essential Skills	 Demonstrate proper use of tools, materials, and processes.
	 Create sculpture, construction, and ceramics using 3-D
	techniques, media, and processes.
	 Produce 3-D works of art that show an exploration of the
	Elements and Principles of Art and Design.
	 Distinguish between functional and non-functional forms.
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Learning Results	A. Disciplinary Literacy
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and	A2.Elements of Art and Principles of Design. Students compare
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Common Core	features of composition both within an art work and among art
Standards	works.
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	a. Compare Elements of Art: color, form, line, shape,
	space, texture, and value.
	b. Compare Principles of Design including balance,
	contrast, emphasis, movement, pattern, rhythm,
	and unity.

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	A3.Media, Tools, Techniques, and Processes. Students explain the effects of media and their associated tools, techniques, and processes using elements, principles, and expressive qualities in art forms and genres.
	B. Creation, Performance, and Expression
	B1.Media Skills. Students choose suitable media, tools, techniques, and processes to create original art works.
	B2.Composition Skills. Students use Elements of Art and Principles of Design to create original art works that demonstrate different styles in paintings, three-dimensional objects, drawings from imagination and real life, and a variety of other media and visual art forms.
	B3.Making Meaning. Students create art works that communicate an individual point of view.
	 Demonstrate skills in the use of media, tools, techniques, and processes.
	b. Demonstrate knowledge of visual art concepts.
	c. Communicate a variety of ideas, feelings, and meanings.
	CCS: Disciplinary Literacy
Sample Lessons and	Oaxacan animal sculptures using armatures and plaster and
Activities	 showing movement. Functional slab-built pottery using molds and/or templates.
	 Clay sculptures of imaginary creatures.
	Clay landscape relief sculptures.
	 Sculptures made from recycled and/or found-objects.
Sample Classroom	Rubric
Assessment Methods	 Portfolio Worksheet
	Critique
	Peer edit
	 Reflection/self-evaluation/artist statement
Sample Resources	Art Department resource library
	Art reproductions print file
	Internet sources

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• Student/teacher exemplars

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