

Visual and Performing Arts
Art IV
Unit 2: Media and Techniques

Essential Understandings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Artists apply a variety of techniques with various art media to translate an idea into an artwork.
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What techniques and media can be used to create works of art? ▪ What media is the best choice for the artist’s desired message? ▪ What technical skills are necessary to create high quality work? ▪ What is original artwork?
Essential Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Artists use specific techniques with 2-D and 3-D media to create works of art. ▪ Artists select media to create art that enhances the meaning of their artwork. ▪ Artists continually explore and expand technical skills with a variety of media.
Vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Terms:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ media, technical skill, craftsmanship, communication, symbolism, portfolio, breadth, concentration, series, composition, context, originality, ethics, copyright
Essential Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create a successful portfolio of art works that include a variety of styles, media, and strong technical skills.. ▪ Distinguish between original and borrowed imagery.
Related Maine Learning Results	<p><u>Visual and Performing Arts:</u></p> <p>A. Disciplinary Literacy</p> <p>A1. Artist’s Purpose Students research and explain how art and artists reflect and influence culture and periods of time.</p> <p>A2. Elements of Art and Principles of Design Students evaluate all the features of composition.</p> <p>a. Evaluate Elements of Art: color, form, line, shape, space, texture, and value.</p> <p>b. Evaluate Principles of Design including balance, contrast, emphasis, movement, pattern, rhythm, and unity.</p> <p>A3. Media, Tools, Techniques, and Processes Students compare the effects of media and their associated tools, techniques, and processes, using elements, principles, and expressive qualities in art forms and genres.</p>
Sample Lessons And Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discuss the artist’s purpose and media, technique choices ▪ Create works of art that incorporate a variety of concepts, approaches and styles using techniques for both 2-D and 3-D media. ▪ Discuss ethical issues surrounding artistic copyright ▪ Create works of art that clearly display an understanding of the Elements of Art and Principles of Design

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Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sketchbook▪ Artist written statements▪ Critique of portfolio work
Sample Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <u>Publications:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>A Guide To Drawing</u> - Mendelwitz, Wakeham, Faber○ <u>Artists Handbook of Materials and Techniques</u> - Ralph Mayer