Visual and Performing Arts Elementary Art Unit 5: Art History and Culture

Essential	Art and artists both reflect and shape their time period and
Understandings Essential Questions	 culture. What can art tell one about society and other cultures – now and
	in previous time periods?
	 How can the study of other time periods and cultures influence
	the creation of a work of art?
	 What is the role of the artist in society?
Essential Knowledge	 Art has different meanings and functions in different times and
	places.
	• The Elements and Principles of Art and Design can be used to
	describe and understand artworks from different time periods.
	 Artists often create works inspired by art and cultural traditions other than one's own.
	 Art movements reflect how different artists create work in
	response to the world around them.
Vocabulary	Terms: art movement, style, culture, time period, abstract,
	realism, Renaissance, contemporary, representational, non-
	objective, surreal, Pop Art.
Essential Skills	 Create works inspired by various art styles, movements, time
	periods, and cultures, including one's own contemporary society.
	Identify the style of a particular artist, style, or art movement.
Related Maine	Visual and Performing Arts
Learning Results	A. Disciplinary Literacy
And	
	A1.Artist's Purpose. Students explain and compare different
Common Core	purposes of artists and their artwork, in the context of time and
Standards	place.
	D. Aesthetics and Criticism
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	D1.Aesthetics and Criticism. Students analyze and evaluate art forms.
	a. Compare and analyze art forms by applying grade span appropriate arts concepts, vocabulary, skills, and processes as referenced in Standard A: Disciplinary Literacy.
	 b. Compare the quality and effectiveness of art works using multiple criteria from observations, print and/or non-print resources.

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	c. Compare the effectiveness of selected media, techniques, and processes in communicating ideas.	
	d. Explain and compare different purposes of artists and art work in the context of time and place.	
	E. Visual and Performing Arts Connections	
	E1.The Arts and History and World Cultures. Students compare products of the visual/performing arts to understand history and/or world cultures.	
	CCS: Disciplinary Literacy	
Sample Lessons and Activities	 Create a work of art that reflects an historical context, art movement, or famous artist. 	
	 Make a poster, digital presentation, pamphlet, web page, or timeline that teaches others about a famous artist or art movement. 	
Sample Classroom	Rubric	
Assessment	Portfolio	
Methods	Worksheet	
	Critique	
	Peer edit	
	 Reflection/self-evaluation/artist statement 	
Sample Resources	 Art Department resource library 	
	Art reproductions print file	
	Internet sources	
	Student/teacher exemplars Approved: 3/19/2014	

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