## Visual and Performing Arts Art I Unit 6: Art History and Culture

Essential Understandings	<ul> <li>Art and artists both reflect and shape their time period and culture.</li> </ul>
Essential Questions	<ul> <li>What can art tell us about our own society and other culturesnow and in previous time periods?</li> </ul>
Essential Knowledge	<ul> <li>Art has different meanings and functions in different times and places.</li> <li>The elements and principles of design can be used to describe artworks from different time periods.</li> <li>Artists often create works inspired by art and cultural traditions other than their own</li> </ul>
Vocabulary	<ul> <li><u>Terms</u>:         <ul> <li>art history, art historian, abstract, realism, representational, non-representational, art movement, culture</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Essential Skills	<ul> <li>Compare the function and meaning of works of art from various cultures and time periods.</li> <li>Identify and describe specific elements and principles found in works of art from specific time periods.</li> <li>Create works inspired by various art styles, periods and cultures including our own.</li> </ul>
Related Maine Learning Results	<ul> <li><u>Visual and Performing Arts</u></li> <li>A. Disciplinary Literacy</li> <li>A1.Artist's Purpose</li> <li>Students research and explain how art and artists reflect and influence culture and periods of time.</li> <li>D. Aesthetics and Criticism</li> <li>D1.Aesthetics and Criticism</li> <li>Students analyze and evaluate art forms.</li> <li>a. Describe, analyze, interpret, and evaluate art forms by applying grade span appropriate arts concepts, vocabulary, skills, and processes as referenced in Standard A: Disciplinary Literacy.</li> <li>b. Analyze and evaluate varied interpretations of works of art using evidence from observations and a variety of print and/or non-print sources.</li> <li>c. Demonstrate an understanding of the difference between a personal opinion and an informed judgment.</li> <li>d. Research and explain how art and artists reflect and shape their time and culture.</li> <li>E. Visual and Performing Arts Connections E1.The Arts and History and World Cultures</li> </ul>
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	the visual/performing arts to understand history and/or world cultures.
Sample Lessons And Activities	<ul> <li>Interpret an artwork in writing specifically for cultural meaning</li> <li>Compare and contrast two or more works of art from different time periods and/or cultures orally or in writing</li> <li>Interpret the work of an artist who is influenced by our present culture</li> <li>Study the tradition of mask-making around the world and create a mask influenced by another culture or our own</li> </ul>
Sample	<ul> <li>sketchbook</li> </ul>
Classroom	<ul> <li>written analysis</li> </ul>
Assessment	<ul> <li>studio project (portfolio)</li> </ul>
Methods	
	Videos:
Sample	<ul> <li><u>African Masks</u></li> </ul>
Resources	Other Resources:
	<ul> <li>Art Department Resource Library</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Art Reproductions Print File</li> </ul>