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ABSTRACT

This comprehensive collection of notes is accurately crafted to empower students to excel academically, ensuring they achieve a minimum of 80% marks in their examinations. The content is organized with clarity and precision, focusing on key concepts, critical analyses, and practical applications tailored to the syllabus. These notes serve as a reliable resource for both thorough preparation and last-minute revision. Designed to inspire confidence and mastery, this guide is an essential tool for students striving for academic excellence.

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Art Craft and Calligraphy

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Q. reasons for emergence of pop

Pop art emerged in the late 1950s and '60s, drawing inspiration from commercial and popular culture. It didn't have a specific style but responded to the commodity driven values of the postwar era. Pop artists used everyday objects (like comic strips, soup cans, and hamburgers) as subject matter. Influenced by Dada and artists like Marcel Duchamp, Pop art celebrated mass-produced items and challenged traditional notions of high art.

Q. Reasons for the emergence of pop art:

- ✚ Political Frustration and Cultural reaction
- ✚ Rock N Roll and Beats Movement
- ✚ Spending on Cars and Fashion
- ✚ Rebellion in Youth
- ✚ Toys and Food

Q. concept of drawing

Drawing is the technique of creating images on a surface (usually paper) using marks made with ink, graphite, or chalk. Historically, it was considered a preliminary step in other arts, but it gained recognition as a finished form. Artists use drawing to express ideas, emotions, and observations. It involves lines, shapes, and shading to convey form, texture, and depth. Drawing can be realistic, abstract, or expressive.

Q. four steps of evaluation

- ✚ Description: Observe and describe the artwork objectively. Note colors, shapes, composition, and any recognizable elements.
- ✚ Analysis: Analyze the technical aspects – how the artist used lines, colors, and forms. Consider the visual elements and principles of design.
- ✚ Interpretation: Relate your findings to your own experiences and emotions. What does the artwork mean to you? What was the artist trying to convey?
- ✚ Judgment: Evaluate the significance and quality of the artwork. Consider its impact, originality, and effectiveness.

Q. Define arts by Leo Tolstoy

According to Leo Tolstoy, art is the transmission of emotions and experiences. An artist consciously communicates feelings through external signs (such as paintings or music). The purpose of art is to promote mutual understanding among people.

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Tolstoy emphasizes empathy and unity through shared emotions. He believes art goes beyond mere pleasure and should appeal to everyone, not just the privileged few.

Q. Tone, shade, Tint

- ✚ Tone refers to the lightness or darkness of a color. It changes as light and shadow interact with the color. Tones create depth and mood in an artwork.
- ✚ Shade occurs when an artist adds black to a color, making it darker. For example, maroon is a shade of red.
- ✚ Tint is a lighter version of a color achieved by adding white. Pink is a tint of red.

Q. Types of performing art

Performing arts encompass live performances by artists. Some types include:

- ✚ Theatre: Live acting, plays, and drama.
- ✚ Dance: Expressive movement to music or rhythm.
- ✚ Music: Vocal or instrumental performances.
- ✚ Opera: A combination of music, singing, acting, and stagecraft.
- ✚ Comedy: Humorous performances.
- ✚ Circus: Acrobatics, juggling, and other feats.
- ✚ Puppetry: Using puppets to tell stories.

Q. Define art

Art is a creative activity or skill acquired through practice that appeals to human senses. It encompasses various forms, including visual arts (painting, sculpture, photography), performing arts (music, dance, theater), and literary arts (poetry, prose). Art allows artists to express their ideas, emotions, and perspectives, often transcending the boundaries of everyday reality. It can be both representational (depicting recognizable subjects) and abstract (conveying feelings or concepts without direct representation).

Q. Define space

Space in art refers to the visual area or environment created by a work of art. It includes the total area surrounding the subject matter, whether inside, around, between, below, or above it. Artists use space intentionally to emphasize specific elements, evoke emotions, and create moods. Positive space represents the active

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area occupied by the subject, while negative space is the unused or passive area around it.

Q. Expressionism

Expressionism is an artistic style where artists seek to depict subjective emotions and responses rather than objective reality. They achieve this through distortion, exaggeration, primitivism, and fantasy. Expressionist works often explore themes like fear, horror, and the grotesque. Key characteristics include bold colors, expressive brushstrokes, and intense emotional content. Famous Expressionists include Edvard Munch, Vincent van Gogh, and Ernst Ludwig Kirchner.

Q. Pointillism

Pointillism involves applying tiny dots of paint to a canvas to create a larger image. Artists use tools like brushes, pens, or even the tip of a paint tube to create precise dots. The technique relies on the viewer's eye blending these dots from a distance, resulting in vibrant, textured compositions. Georges Seurat's "A Sunday on La Grande Jatte" is a famous example of Pointillism.

Q. Define architecture and type

Architecture refers to the design and construction of buildings and structures. It combines aesthetics, functionality, and engineering principles. Architects consider factors like space utilization, materials, and cultural context. Types of architecture include:

- ✚ Classical architecture: Inspired by ancient Greek and Roman styles.
- ✚ Gothic architecture: Known for pointed arches, ribbed vaults, and flying buttresses.
- ✚ Modern architecture: Emphasizes simplicity, clean lines, and functionalism.
- ✚ Postmodern architecture: Challenges traditional norms and incorporates diverse elements.

Q. Impressionisms

Impressionism emerged in the late 19th century. Impressionist artists, such as Claude Monet and Pierre-Auguste Renoir, focused on capturing fleeting moments and the effects of light. They used loose brushwork, vibrant colors, and outdoor scenes. Impressionism aimed to convey the artist's immediate perception rather than precise details. Think of shimmering water lilies and sun-dappled landscapes.

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Q. Texture and types

Texture in art refers to the surface quality of an artwork. It can be visual (how it appears) or tactile (how it feels). Types of texture include:

- ✚ Actual texture: Physical variations on the surface (e.g., rough, smooth, bumpy).
- ✚ Implied texture: Created through visual techniques (e.g., brushstrokes, patterns).
- ✚ Tactile texture: Felt by touch (e.g., raised paint, textured paper).
- ✚ Simulated texture: Appears real but is flat (e.g., wood grain in a painting).

Q. Independent thinking

Independent thinking refers to the ability to form one's own opinions, make decisions, and analyze information critically. In art, independent thinking allows artists to break conventions, explore new ideas, and express their unique perspectives. It encourages creativity and originality.

Q. Futurism

Futurism was an early 20th-century art movement that celebrated technology, speed, and modernity. It rejected traditional art forms and embraced dynamism, energy, and urban life. Futurists believed in progress, machines, and the future. Umberto Boccioni's sculpture "Unique Forms of Continuity in Space" exemplifies Futurism's focus on movement and transformation.

Q. Define shapes and type

Shapes in art refer to the basic forms that make up an artwork. They can be geometric (like circles, squares, and triangles) or organic (free-flowing and irregular). Shapes play a crucial role in composition and visual balance.

Types of shapes include:

- ✚ Geometric shapes: Precise and regular forms (e.g., squares, circles, rectangles).
- ✚ Organic shapes: Irregular and free-flowing forms (e.g., natural contours, abstract shapes).
- ✚ Positive shapes: The main subject or objects in a composition.
- ✚ Negative shapes: The spaces around and between positive shapes.
- ✚ Silhouettes: The outer contours of an object or figure.

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- ✚ Abstract shapes: Non-representational forms that evoke emotions or ideas.

Q. Classicism Modernism

Classicism is an aesthetic attitude and art style that draws inspiration from ancient Greece and Rome. It spans from the formation of Greek city-states (around the 8th century BCE) to the decline of the Roman Empire (5th century CE). Key principles of classicism include harmony, idealism, proportion, restraint, and balance. It emphasizes values associated with ancient art, creating a sense of timeless beauty and order.

Q. Difference between modernism and post modernism

- ✚ Emphasizes clarity, simplicity, and minimalism.
- ✚ Celebrates progress, individualism, and rationality.
- ✚ Modernists often simplified human figures and explored geometric shapes.

Q. Postmodernism:

- ✚ Embraces complexity, contradiction, and political critique.
- ✚ Challenges established norms and questions authority.
- ✚ Postmodern artists create layered, diverse, and often unconventional works.
- ✚ It emerged after the mid-20th century as a reaction to modernist ideals.

Q. Types of stone age

The Stone Age is divided into three periods: - Paleolithic (Old Stone Age): Characterized by the creation and use of stone tools. It spans from the earliest known stone tools (around 3.3 million years ago) to about 8000 BCE. - Mesolithic (Middle Stone Age): A transitional period between Paleolithic and Neolithic, marked by cultural changes and adaptation. - Neolithic (New Stone Age): Associated with agriculture, pottery, and more advanced tools. It began around 8000 BCE.

Q. Key features of drawing

- ✚ Ductus: The direction, number, and sequence of strokes used to create letters or shapes.
- ✚ Stroke variation: Varying the thickness of lines to add visual interest.
- ✚ Composition: Arranging elements within a drawing for balance and harmony.
- ✚ Proportions: Ensuring correct relationships between different parts of the drawing.
- ✚ Expressiveness: Conveying emotions or ideas through lines and forms.

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✚ Attention to detail: Focusing on precision and accuracy in rendering.

Q. Define balance in art

Balance refers to the purposeful organization of visual elements within a composition. It ensures that no part of the artwork dominates excessively. Types of balance include:

- Symmetrical balance: Equal visual weight on both sides of a central axis.
- Asymmetrical balance: Unequal distribution of visual elements, yet achieving overall balance.
- Radial balance: Elements radiate from a central point.
- Visual weight: How much attention an element attracts.

Q. Note on NEOCLASSICISM

Neoclassicism was a reaction against the arrogance of Rococo. This was the Age of the Enlightenment and political, social and cultural revolution were in the air. Artists needed a serious art for serious times and once again they looked back to the art of Antiquity as their model. Inspired by the archaeological discoveries at Herculaneum and Pompeii, Neoclassicism had a historical accuracy that earlier classical revivals lacked. Historical scenes of heroism and virtue were used as patriotic propaganda or allegories on contemporary circumstances. Jacques Louis David and Jean Auguste Dominique Ingres were the outstanding virtuosos of Neoclassical painting.

Q. Linear and curvilinear perspective

- Linear perspective is a technique used to create a realistic representation of space and depth on a flat surface (like a canvas). It involves using vanishing points and converging lines to show objects receding into the distance. Think of it as capturing different viewpoints simultaneously.
- Curvilinear perspective, although less common, is an alternative to linear perspective. It acknowledges that all straight lines are technically curved. However, in Western painting, straight lines are usually represented as straight rather than arced.

Q. History of Renaissance

The Renaissance was a transformative period in Europe during the 14th, 15th, and 16th centuries. It was marked by a revival of classical learning, increased awareness of nature, and a more individualistic view of humanity. Artists during the Renaissance explored new techniques, creating realistic styles in painting, sculpture,

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architecture, music, and literature. Notably, the Italian artist Giotto di Bondone introduced a new pictorial style that emphasized clear structure and psychological depth. The Renaissance didn't abruptly break from medieval values; instead, it built upon existing interests in nature, humanism, and individualism. Social and economic changes, like secularization and increased mobility, fueled this artistic revolution.

Q. Phases of Cubism

Cubism was a groundbreaking art movement that emerged in the early 20th century. It shattered traditional ways of representing reality. There were three primary phases:

- Proto-Cubism: This experimental phase bridged Impressionism and Analytical Cubism. Inspired by French artist Paul Cézanne, it simplified natural forms into geometric foundations. Cézanne's broken brushwork and analytical approach influenced Cubists, Fauves, and later avant-garde artists.
- Analytical Cubism (1908–1912): Artists like Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque explored interweaving planes and lines in muted tones. They broke down objects into distinct areas, showing different viewpoints simultaneously.
- Synthetic Cubism (1912–1914): In this phase, shapes became simpler, and brighter colors emerged. Artists experimented with patterns and textures, even incorporating collaged real elements like newspapers into their works

Q. Note on Mesopotamian

Art The ancient civilizations of Mesopotamia are the source of the earliest surviving art; these civilizations were situated between the Tigris and the Euphrates Rivers. Dating back to 3500 B.C.E., Mesopotamian art was intended to serve as a way to glorify powerful rulers and their connection to divinity. Art was made from natural resources such as stone, shells, alabaster and marble, and was often created as didactic pieces. No artist signatures can be found on most of the work, because the pieces were meant to embody the subject matter, rather than the creator. Popular items that typify this time period include cylindrical seals, steles, narrative relief sculptures, and lavishly decorated tombs. The major civilizations that flourished during the Mesopotamian time were the Sumerians (3500-2300 BC), Akkadians (2180-2340 BC), Babylonians (1792-1750 BC), Hittites (1600-1200 BC), Assyrians (1000-612 BC) and the Persians (559-331 BC). Warrior art and narration in stone relief Standard of Ur, 2600 B.C.E.

Q. Mannerism

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Mannerism is a 20th century term that was used to describe several exaggerated or mannered styles of art that evolved towards the end of the High Renaissance. Mannerist artists valued a personal and idealized response to beauty over the classical ideal of 'truth to nature'.

Q. Difference between symmetrical and asymmetrical balance

- Symmetrical balance refers to a type of balance where visual elements are arranged equally on both sides of a central line. Think of it like a mirror image – if you were to fold the composition in half, both sides would match. It creates a sense of stability and order.

- Asymmetrical balance, on the other hand, involves using differing visual elements within a composition to achieve balance. It doesn't rely on strict symmetry but rather balances elements based on their visual weight. Asymmetrical compositions can be more dynamic and interesting.

Q. Random and floating rhythm

- ✚ Random rhythm in art creates diversity and unpredictability. It leads our gaze around the composition, keeping us engaged. Think of it as irregular patterns or elements scattered throughout the artwork.
- ✚ Floating rhythm implies a sense of movement and flow. It's like a gentle dance where elements appear to float or glide across the composition. Floating rhythm can be achieved through deliberate placement and spacing of visual elements.

Q. Difference between theater and drama

- Drama generally refers to the written or literary aspect of the art form. It encompasses scripts, stories, and characters that come to life on stage.
- Theater, on the other hand, refers to the physical space where these performances take place. It's the holistic embodiment of the drama, brought to life with actors, directors, and stagecraft.

Q. Holistic and systematic thinking

- ✚ Holistic thinking focuses on the bigger picture, creativity, and empathy. It's valuable for understanding human behavior, art, design, and complex societal issues.

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- ✚ Systematic thinking excels in precision and problem-solving, especially in fields like mathematics and science. It follows structured processes and rules.

Q. Modern Calligraphy

Modern calligraphy is an art form that departs from strict traditional rules. It allows for greater freedom and individual expression. Unlike traditional calligraphy, which adheres to specific guidelines, modern calligraphy encourages artists to explore variations and experiment with new styles. Some popular modern calligraphy techniques include brush lettering, bounce lettering, and faux calligraphy. Brush lettering uses flexible brush pens, bounce lettering adds playfulness, and faux calligraphy mimics the look of calligraphy using any writing tool.

Q. Define balance

In art, balance represents the purposeful organization of visual elements of varying weight. Visual weight refers to an element's ability to draw attention. If our attention is held mostly on one particular visual object, it has greater visual weight. Achieving balance involves distributing visual weight effectively within a composition.

Q. Define Mural

Mural is painting directly applied on a wall or ceiling but with a consideration of incorporating architectural design.

Q. Difference between Random and Flowing Rhythm

- **Random Rhythm:** Groupings of similar motifs with *no regularity*. They appear disordered and unpredictable.
- **Flowing Rhythm:** Created by *rising and falling elements* that guide the viewer's eye in a smooth, wave-like manner.

Q. Enlist Categories of Performing Arts

Categories of Performing Arts include:

- **Music**
- **Dance**
- **Theatre**
- **Film**

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These are distinct from Fine Arts because they involve real-time interaction with an audience.

Q. What is the concept of “Art is imitation of real world”?

- The concept is based on the Greek term **Mimesis**, meaning *to imitate*.
- **Art as Imitation** suggests that art replicates the physical world with accuracy, fidelity, and observation.
- **Plato and Aristotle** viewed art as a reflection of nature and reality.
- This imitation does not allow for modification and focuses on detailed representation.

Q. Write 5 points on what art serves as

Art serves as:

1. **A means of communication** – expressing emotions and ideas.
2. **Self-expression** – channeling personal experiences and feelings.
3. **An educator** – developing emotional and cognitive intelligence.
4. **Cultural documentation** – preserving identity and societal changes.
5. **Aesthetic experience** – offering visual and emotional pleasure.

Q. Write 5 points on Photography

While photography is not directly detailed in the handouts, based on art principles and related disciplines, the following apply:

1. **Captures real-world moments** – closely related to the concept of art as imitation.
2. **Serves as a communication tool** – conveying narratives, emotions, and contexts.
3. **Utilizes design principles** – such as emphasis, balance, and contrast.
4. **A medium for self-expression** – allowing artists to share their unique vision.
5. **Commonly used in applied and visual arts** – integrated in multimedia and communication design.

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