

2025/2026

IB Year I, Summer Assignment

Welcome to IB Art and the beginning to your two year art adventure!

You can always email me over the break with questions and I'll get back with you as soon as possible:
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Materials:

- You will need to purchase a full-size sketchbook. I recommend the Canson brand. They seem to hold up well.
- If you can, and want to, I recommend that you purchase a basic set of art supplies that you plan to use for your studio artwork, so that you can begin working on it at home. Materials can be purchased from retail stores such as Joann's, Michaels, Jerry's, or online at sites such <http://www.dickblick.com>. Just worry about super basic items. Maybe a beginner's acrylic paint set (look for heavy body acrylic), a watercolor set, a numbered pencil drawing set. Most of these stores have coupons if you google :)
- Next year you will have a \$60 lab/class/materials fee from which we will be purchasing LOTS of fun stuff!

2 Part Assignment: *due the first full day of class*

Part 1: You must complete at least 9 sketchbook pages over the summer

- IB will view your sketchbook pages on a computer screen so they suggest you **work in your book horizontally**
- **2 pages** of a visual autobiography (a reflection on strong visual experiences or memories that have shaped your aesthetic preferences and much of who you are)
- **4 pages** VISUAL- sketches and visual explorations/experimentations that appeal to you
- **1 page** CULTURE – exploring a culture that intrigues or appeals to you (visually and in writing)
- **1 page** VOCABULARY - art vocabulary/terms that are new to you, with definitions/examples that help you remember the terms
- **1 pages** ART HISTORY – detailed visual and written research on specific artists and/or art movements (include examples of their artwork along with documented research and personal observations/reflection in response to the artist's work). If you have the opportunity to go to a museum (the Knoxville Museum of Art is free! - go visit and take notes!)

Part II: Create an Image Flood/7 Slide PPT

- You must create a 7 slide presentation of 10 visual artists you love. They can be dead, alive, or instagram famous, whatever you find visually pleasing.
- Slide 1 = your name and 3 facts about yourself to share with the class
- Slide 2 = an artist's work you like and short bio about the artist
- Slide 3-7 = same as slide 2, show a variety of works, artists and art making forms from different times in history (ancient and contemporary). You should be sharing a total of 10 artists.

So.... On the first day of class you need to bring your sketchbook with the 9 pages completed and a 7 slide presentation ready to share. These will be your first grades and show me how serious you are about studying in IB Art.

**You guys are the beginning a brand new
adventure in IB Art!**

EVERYTHING has changed for you!

**I will be learning the requirements for our two
year adventure over the Summer and am
excited to learn alongside all of you!**