

Lesson Plan
Kapaa Middle School
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Unit Title:

Mail Art

Unit Goal:

To have students create at least one interpretative piece to give away

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Share the Wealth: Give-Away Art

Lesson Goal:

To have students create at least one 4" x 3" collage, drawing, low-relief sculpture, etc. based on the word "represent" for the purpose of giving it away to the faculty and staff of Kapaa Middle School

Lesson Objectives:

As a result of instruction students will be able to:

1. Learn about Ray Johnson, the New York Correspondence School, mail art, and give away art (*K-6: NS 4a-b, NS 5a and c, 9-12: NS 4a-c, NS 5a-d, NS 6b*)
2. Create one or more 4"x3" pieces, collage, painting, drawing, etc. based on the word "sky" (*K-6: NS 1a-d, 9-12: NS 1a-c*)
3. Create a composition that communicates an idea or feeling (*K-6: NS 2a-c, 9-12: NS 2a-c*)
4. Be considerate of their audience when creating their piece, who will pick their work and why, etc. (*K-6: NS 3a-b 9-12: NS 3c NS 5a-d, NS 5a and c, NS 6b*)

Assessment Strategies:

Participation, effort, craftsmanship, discussion

Evaluation Criteria:

1. Recall of information and facts, discussion of information
2. Create at least one piece
3. Composition to communicate an idea or feeling
4. Consideration of audience

Visual References:

PostSecret: Extraordinary Confessions from Ordinary Lives by Frank Warren (Hardcover - Dec 1, 2005)

Correspondence Art: Source Book for the Network of International Postal Art Activity by Mary Stofflet and Michael Crane (Paperback - Jun 1984)

Instructor PowerPoint

Instructor examples of mail art

