

Visual Art Lesson Plan
Kapa'a Middle School
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Grade Level:

6

Unit Title:

Goldsworthy's Garden Isle

Unit Goal:

Using digital cameras, scanners, and Photoshop students will create enhanced photographs depicting natural elements. Students will study environmental art and research regional plants. Students will create environmental artworks and photograph them. Students will then enhance the photographs in order to highlight one design element.

Lesson Title:

What Grows in My Backyard: Design Elements and Manipulation

Lesson Goal:

In conjunction with national and Hawaiian science and visual art standards, students will research regional animals, study design elements, and research environmental art, specifically the artwork of Andy Goldsworthy. Students will go outside the classroom and collect and combine natural elements, i.e. leaves, flowers, dirt, etc., to include at least one design element. Students will have the opportunity to scan other images of natural elements. Using digital cameras, students will photograph their work, import the photographs and manipulate the photos using Photoshop. Students will combine the scanned objects and the photographs and manipulate the images on the computer to highlight one design element. Students will print their final products, discuss them with their classmates, and complete a self-evaluation.

Lesson Objectives:

As a result of instruction students will be able to...

1. Research regional animals, design elements, and environmental art.
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2. Collect natural elements and combine them using design elements.
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3. Photograph their environmental artwork and import the photographs into the computer and scan other images of natural objects.
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4. Combine the scanned images with the photographs of their environmental artworks.
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5. Manipulate the images in Photoshop to highlight one design element.
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6. Discuss the final product with classmates.
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7. Complete a self-evaluation about their artwork.
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Assessment Strategies:

Research, Collect and Combine Elements and Images, Photography, Use of Photoshop, Discussion, Self-Evaluation.