

Los Angeles Unified School District- Arts Education Branch

Elementary Visual Arts Instructional Guide

Module 1: Artists Use A Variety Of Media, Tools and Materials

Enduring Understanding

Artists use a variety of media, tools and materials.

Essential Questions:

What are the tools and media that artists use? How do artists choose the medium?

Domain	Process	Standard
PERCEPTION	Analyzing	1.3 Identify the elements of art in objects in nature, the environment, and works of art, emphasizing line, color, shape/form, texture and space.
CREATION	Practicing	2.1 Demonstrate beginning skill of tools and processes such as printing, crayon rubbings, collage, stencils, etc. 2.2 Demonstrate beginning skill of media such as oil pastels, watercolors, tempera, etc.
CONTEXT	Interpreting	3.1 Explain how artists use their work to share experiences or communicate ideas.
	Judging	4.3 Use the vocabulary of art to talk about what they wanted to do in their own works of art and how they succeeded.

Essential standards and **supporting standards** to be assessed.

Sample Performance Task

Create or choose an artwork that used your favorite media. Why is it your favorite?

Sample Scoring Tool: type title of scoring tool

Identified media.

Articulated why the media is their favorite.

Developing Concepts

Art Elements: Lines and media

Key Idea:

• Lines, and a variety of media, can be used to express ideas and depict settings

Knowledge

Vocabulary

- Contour lines
- Pencil
- Oil pastel
- Tempera paint
- Observation
- Still life

Skills

Oral Expression

- Identify tools used
- Describe process used to create artwork
- Utilize appropriate vocabulary to describe artwork (e.g. overlapping shapes, contour lines)

Use of Media and Tools

Proper use of media: pencil, oil pastels, tempera, charcoal, watercolor

Art Techniques: Printmaking

Key Idea:

 Printmaking is a medium artists use to express ideas and depict settings.

Knowledge	Skills
Vocabulary	Oral Expression

- Printmaking
- Printing ink
- Tempera
- Printing plate (styrofoam or other)
- Describe process used in artmaking
- Identify medium

Use of Media and Tools

- Create a printing plate
- Use various tools to etch plate

Art Discussion: Looking at Art

Key Idea:

• Artists use their work to communicate ideas and share experiences.

Knowledge

Vocabulary

- Art historian
- Visual clues

Skills

Oral Expression

• Observe and discuss visual stories in various works of art