1B Visual Arts - Summer Assignment 2017 (Juniors)





The IB Visual Arts course is an exciting and personally meaningful experience as you explore artistic possibilities and discover your own unique style and sources of inspiration. The purpose of this summer assignment is to begin to work in your Visual Journal so that it becomes a natural process for you when we return to school. Also, summer is a great time to reflect and get inspired!

The summer assignment includes **20 pages** in your visual journal with the following content:

- 1. Finding <u>artists</u>, <u>art movements & artworks</u> that inspire you. Visit art museums and check out websites like <u>art21.org</u> (contemporary artists), visit your local library and browse the art section. Paste or sketch images in your sketchbook and make notes about the qualities that appeal to you. You may also want to practice copying the style or technique of a certain artist as a way to learn from them.
- 2. Experiment with various <u>art materials and techniques</u>. YouTube is a great resource for learning all kinds of art techniques. Either photograph your experimentations or paste them directly into your sketchbook. Make notes about what you've learned.
- 3. <u>Art vocabulary</u> make note of words that are unfamiliar to you so that you can expand your use of art vocabulary.
- 4. <u>Culture</u> explore and document a culture or sub-culture that interests you.
- 5. <u>Personal sources of inspiration</u> take lots of photos, make sketches, write down ideas that pique your interest or trigger your curiosity (they can be from anything, including passing comments, tv commercials, current events, movies, music lyrics, personal experiences...)

Remember to cite any sources you use for images that are not your own and research in your visual journal.

The visual journal is yours and should reflect who you are and what you value. Enjoy!! ©