**Studio in Painting II**

**Course Description:**

In this course you will utilize the mediums and techniques that you learned in Drawing I, as well as experiment with a few new mediums. This course will allow you to focus more on the techniques and style that you enjoy.

**Supplies:**

-Notebook or Sketchbook is recommended for planning/sketching

 - You may want a large shirt or smock. You WILL get paint on your clothes at some point and as you know, some paints will not wash out easily.

**Projects/Assignments:**

 **Major in-class projects:**

 Some projects are more independent at the advanced level, to allow you the freedom to explore the media and subject matter you enjoyed in Painting I.  Some will be more directed to give you new mediums or techniques to explore.

 **Independent projects:**

Of your design should be worked on when you have completed an in class project early (this will happen), during Open Studio or whenever the art studio is available. This is your opportunity to do what you want to do. Take advantage of it!! These are not graded, they are just for you.

**Critiques & Reflection Essays:**

We will end each project with an informal critique in which we share and discuss our projects. This is NOT a formal presentation and is usually casual and fun.

You are also expected to turn in a reflection essay for each project that examines your work and that of one of your peers. The critiques contribute to the content of the essays.

 **Participation/Performance grades:**

Earned weekly.

**Course Grading: Concept Mastery: 60%**

* Major In-Class Projects

**Concept Application: 40%**

* Preparatory work for Projects
* Weekly In-class Participation & Performance grades

**Absence/Late Work Policy:**

It is YOUR responsibility to see me to make up any work if you miss class. Become familiar with our website and be sure to check there for announcements and assignments if you are out. Homework is due on the day you return to school unless other arrangements are made with me beforehand.

 If a homework assignment is not turned in when you enter class you will be given the opportunity to stay after school to complete it or get it to me by the end of the day for a reduced grade (one letter grade). Please do not insult either of us by asking for more time. You know when your work is due and I need to be fair and consistent. We have a limited amount of assignments in this course. One or two zero’s will crush your average.

Critiques are participatory and can NOT be made up. Try to be present for all critiques. Reflection essays are expected, whether you are present for the critique or not.

 I do not grade partially finished projects.

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 As you know, we don’t have much time, so use what you have wisely and advocate for yourself if you need help or more time.

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