

7th Grade Art

The 7th Graders will continue building on the skills taught in 6th Grade by creating more Optical Illusions, work with clay, and have a more in depth lesson on the color wheel. They will also be introduced to acrylic paint, colored pencil blending, and Two-Point Perspective Drawing. If time allows, they will also use a Photo Shop-like computer program called Paint.Net.

Clay Monster Mug: The students will discuss features that are considered “Monster-like” and create their own monster out of clay. It must be uniquely theirs and will also be glazed. The mug must either have a handle or a hole in it to place a straw later for it to be considered a mug. They will also discuss ways to add clay forms and use tools to create texture.

Op Art Paintings: The students will revisit the work of Optical Illusion artist Bridget Riley. They will create their own illusion and give it a title that gives hints of the sensation or feeling they want the viewer to feel. The students will use acrylic paint to show the positive and negative space of their project. Taking care of paint brushes and proper handling of acrylic paint will be a large part of this lesson.

Two-Point Perspective City Block Drawing: This project will teach students the differences between 1 and 2 Point Perspective Drawing. They will also master drawing a box shape in both 1 and 2 Point Perspective. Another lesson will be to practice blending colored pencils and neatly completing a color wheel and blending exercise. The final project will be to create a City Block using correct 2 Point Perspective techniques. The block will have a least four detailed buildings, a sidewalk, street, and landscaping all colored neatly with colored pencil.

Paint.Net Advertisement: If time allows, the students will be shown how to use a Photo Shop-like program on the computer called Paint.Net. They will be creating an advertisement in which they develop their own company and product to sell.



Monster Mug



Op Art Painting



2 Point Perspective City Block



Paint.Net Ad