

ART DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

Students find that GC's art program offers a wide array of opportunities to meet their needs...and those opportunities continue to grow!

The art instructor works with students grades 7-12 in visual arts, and she approaches art through art history, theory, and skill-building, which sparks innate creativity. Students learn to think critically, consider art history, persevere through the creation process, and both gain and give constructive feedback to help them grow as artists. Secondary art classes look at art through a biblical lens, discovering and applying Truths we know about our creative and orderly God. Students engage in discussion about worldview and art and identify God's beauty in creation and created works. Both discussion and hands-on work help students grasp, create, and critique art as a means of influencing the world for Christ's Kingdom with their unique creative abilities.

Students' work is showcased in a spring art exhibit each year on the GC campus. High school students compete in the statewide TAPPS competition each spring as well, sending original works and participating in live drawing competitions.

GC's visual arts program provides the opportunity for students to learn techniques, develop their creativity, become Kingdom-minded artists, and work with a wide array of mediums to learn:

- Drawing
- Painting
- Sculpture
- Other various media: printmaking, cut paper, etching, mixed media, etc.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Middle School Art is all about building foundational art skills - drawing, observation, and design.

- 7th grade learns about and completes a unique project for each of the **7 Elements of Art**: Space, Line, Shape, Form, Value, Texture, and Color.
- 8th grade does the same for the **7 Principles of Design**: Balance, Movement, Proportion, Pattern, Variety, Unity, and Emphasis.

HS Art has a different focus each year since classes/levels are mixed.

- Year 1 - Review of the Elements of Art and/or Principles of Design
- Year 2 - Principles of Color & Composition
- Year 3 - Western Art History: Learning from the Masters of the Past
- Year 4 - Exploring Alternative Media

LINKS

- [TAPPS 2021 Artwork & Results](#) (slideshow)
 - Above link (if that's easier to copy & paste)
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/17Jiu5bLNLlq8Kq9LVBr7G_KUBivNbd8BMLv5GJFPEI/edit?usp=sharing

Fine Arts Show 2021 images (**coming soon, still uploading!**)

- [Virtual Art Gallery 2020](#) (slideshow)