Art 305: Paper

Your Favorite Artist: Investigate a Major Artist’s Life and Three of Their Great Artworks

Chose an artist to write about that you find interesting. Additionally, that artist’s work should be well known enough that you can easily find scholarly articles about them when you search in JSTOR (within the CSUN University Library’s databases), or when you look in digital book collection library listings.

Write a brief biography of your chosen artist’s life, then discuss THREE of their artworks in detail. This discussion can address how similar the artworks are, or it can be more of a compare and contrast, discussing the differences between phases in the artist’s work. This must also be based on your historical research, complete with footnotes. Finally, write a conclusion paragraph about how you feel about the artist and their work.

Your paper must be written in:

Times New Roman

12 point

Black

Double-spaced

One-inch margins

It must contain:

At least 5 pages of content (1600 words, not including cover page or bibliography)

A cover page

Page numbers in the upper right corner

Chicago style bibliography

Chicago style footnotes

At least 8 sources in your bibliography (at least 4 scholarly journals (like the ones found on JSTOR), you can also use books and KHAN Academy or official museum or National Geographic videos)

Excellent spelling and grammar

Plagiarism

No copy/paste plagiarism. Be certain to put all information into your own words, then cite every source with a footnote. Copy/paste results in a 0 for the paper, with no chance to redo the assignment.

Question: How Do I Handle Quotes?

Direct quotes:

Word for word from the source, clearly indicated by quotation marks may not be more than 10% of your paper

Indirect quotes:

Information that you learned from a source and rewrote into your own words must also be clearly identified with a footnote reference at the end of every sentence.

How to find scholarly resources for your paper:

Go to:CSUN Library

Then go to :Databases

Then you can look at any of these under Databases:

Academic Search Premier (EBSCO)

ABI/INFORM Complete

Academic Video Online

Art Full Text (H.W Wilson)

Art Index Retrospective (H.W. Wilson)

Bibliography of the History of Art (Getty)

Google Scholar

Humanities Full Text (H.W. Wilson)

JSTOR

LexisNexisAcademic

Oxford Art Online

PBS Video Collection

 \*\*\*Note: Wikipedia is not an acceptable scholarly source for college papers

Artist Inspirations (use any of these, if you wish!):

Elisabeth Vigee Le Brun

Jacques Louis David

Michelangelo

Georgia O’ Keeffe

Bernini

Jean-Michel Basquiat

Caravaggio

Sofonisba Anguissola

Picasso

Jackson Pollock

Vincent van Gogh

Mary Cassatt

Kerry James Marshall

Tamara De Lempicka

Leonardo da Vinci

Artemesia Gentileschi

Edgar Degas

Takashi Murakami

Marcel Duchamp

Andy Warhol

Claude Monet

Mariko Mori

Raphael

Henri Matisse

Diego Rivera

Jacob Lawrence

Yoshitomo Nara

Frida Kahlo

Jeff Koons

Hiroshi Sugimoto

Gustav Klimt

Francisco Goya

Augusta Savage

J.M.W. Turner

Akira Toriyama

Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec

Albrecht Durer

Kara Walker

If you want to write about a different artist, email me and we’ll talk!