

MAYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Fall Semester 2007

ART OF THE NON-WESTERN WORLD

Course Description: This course introduces non-Western cultural perspectives. Emphasis is placed on, but not limited to, African, Oriental, and Oceanic art forms throughout history. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an historical understanding of art as a product reflective of non-Western social and cultural development. This course has been approved to satisfy the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement general education core requirement in humanities/fine arts.

Prerequisite: none

Semester Contact Hours 3 Semester Credit Hours 3

Instructor Information

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Course Time and Location

Days: Tuesday

Time: 6:00-8:50

Room 122 after Sept. 25. Up until that time we will meet in the Garage and go from there.

Required Text:

World Views Topics in Non-Western Art by Laurie Schneider Adams McGraw-Hill

Course Objectives:

- A. An understanding that each culture has its own history, customs, myths and styles.
- B. A comprehension of the variety of world art and how it has influenced western artists.
- C. Encounter the differences and similarities between peoples and ideas that motivate them.

Course Content:

- A. Rock Painting and Petroglyphs
- B. Topics in Chinese Art
- C. South Asia: The Indus Valley Civilization
- D. Buddhist Art in India and China
- E. Expansion of Islam
- F. Buddhist and Hindu Developments in East Asia
- G. Mesoamerica and the Andes
- H. Aspects of Northwest Coast and Native American Art
- I. Japanese Woodblock prints
- J. Aspects of Oceanic Art
- K. Africa: The royal Art of Benin

Evaluation:

- A. Attendance is 50% of your grade. Most of the work will be hands on art projects and films that are not in the text; therefore it is imperative that you make every effort to attend class.
- B. Class participation is 5% of your grade
- C. Mid-term is 10% of your grade
- D. Essays are 25 % of your grade
- E. Final is 10% of your grade

Academic Standards and Student Expectations:

- A. You are expected to read the text.
- B. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.
- C. Assignments must be turned in on time.
- D. Students who stop attending class and do not officially withdraw will not receive credit.

Dates:

A. Withdrawal dates:

Unconditional: Friday, Sept. 22, 2007 Conditional Withdrawal: Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2007

Fall Break: October 8-9, 2007

Professional Day: Oct. 9, 2007

Veterans Day: (no classes) Nov. 12

Thanksgiving Holiday (College closed) Nov. 21-22, 2007

Last day of class Tuesday Dec. 11, 2007