

Hildegard Center for the Arts “Heroes Among Us”

Clay Lesson Plans with a Hero Theme

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A Lesson For Art Students Old Enough To Use Art Tools Safely

Purpose: To create Clay Art that depicts a hero identified by the student.

Objectives:

- Through class discussions, the students will list characteristics of heroes
- Students will use the medium of clay to learn about heroes
- Students will interact with one other, using verbal skills to interview each other

National Standards that may be met:

- Students describe how different materials, techniques and processes cause different responses.
- Students use different media, techniques and processes to communicate ideas, experiences and stories.
- Students use art materials and tools in a safe and responsible manner.
- Students describe how different expressive features and organizational principles cause different responses.
- Students explore and understand prospective content for works of art.
- Students select and use subject matter, symbols and ideas to communicate meaning.
- Students understand there are various purposes for creating works of visual art.
- Students describe how people’s experiences influence the development of specific artworks.
- Students understand there are different responses to specific artworks.
- Students adjust their use of spoken, written and visual language to communicate effectively with a variety of audiences and for different purposes.
- Students use spoken, written and/or visual language to accomplish their own purposes.

“Clay has always been integral within the art of ceramics since its inception. Potteries began along rivers where the clay beds lay. Clay was, and in some ways is still, used in the formation of tile, bricks, dishware, pottery, musical instruments and artwork. This lesson will focus on using clay to create art that depicts Heroes.”

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