This unit was authored by a team of Colorado educators. The template provided one example of unit design that enabled teacher-authors to organize possible learning experiences, resources, differentiation, and assessments. The unit is intended to support teachers, schools, and districts as they make their own local decisions around the best instructional plans and practices for all students.
### Content Area: Visual Arts

#### Grade Level: High School

**Course Name/Course Code:** Media Arts - Digital Arts, Photography, Computer, Graphic Design, Film, Video

### Standard | Grade Level Expectations (GLE) | GLE Code
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1. **Observe and Learn to Comprehend**
   1. Visual art has inherent characteristics and expressive features
   
   VA09-GR.HS.1-GLE.1
   
2. Historical and cultural context are found in visual art
   
   VA09-GR.HS.1-GLE.2
   
3. Art and design have purpose and function
   
   VA09-GR.HS.1-GLE.3
   
2. **Envision and Critique to Reflect**
   1. Reflective strategies are used to understand the creative process
   
   VA09-GR.HS.2-GLE.1
   
2. A personal philosophy of art is accomplished through use of sophisticated language and studio art processes
   
   VA09-GR.HS.2-GLE.2
   
3. Interpretation is a means for understanding and evaluating works of art
   
   VA09-GR.HS.2-GLE.3
   
3. **Invent and Discover to Create**
   1. Demonstrate competency in traditional and new art media, and apply appropriate and available technology for the expression of ideas
   
   VA09-GR.HS.3-GLE.1
   
2. Assess and produce art with various materials and methods
   
   VA09-GR.HS.3-GLE.2
   
3. Make judgments from visual messages
   
   VA09-GR.HS.3-GLE.3
   
4. **Relate and Connect to Transfer**
   1. The work of art scholars impacts how art is viewed today
   
   VA09-GR.HS.4-GLE.1
   
2. Communication through advanced visual methods is a necessary skill in everyday life
   
   VA09-GR.HS.4-GLE.2
   
3. Art is a lifelong endeavor
   
   VA09-GR.HS.4-GLE.3

### Colorado 21st Century Skills

- **Critical Thinking and Reasoning:** Thinking Deeply, Thinking Differently
- **Information Literacy:** Untangling the Web
- **Collaboration:** Working Together, Learning Together
- **Self-Direction:** Own Your Learning
- **Invention:** Creating Solutions

The Colorado Academic Standards for Visual Arts are not intended to be taught in a linear (checklist of coverage) fashion, but rather should be implemented as a cyclical creative process. Each unit within this sample blueprint intentionally includes standards from all four visual arts standards to illustrate this process-based philosophy.

### Unit Titles | Length of Unit/Contact Hours | Unit Number/Sequence
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Identity and World Cultures | Instructor Choice | Instructor Choice
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**Standards and Grade Level Expectations Addressed in this Unit**
- VA09-GR.HS-S.1-GLE.1, VA09-GR.HS-S.1-GLE.2, VA09-GR.HS-S.1-GLE.3
- VA09-GR.HS-S.2-GLE.1, VA09-GR.HS-S.2-GLE.2, VA09-GR.HS-S.2-GLE.3
- VA09-GR.HS-S.3-GLE.1, VA09-GR.HS-S.3-GLE.2, VA09-GR.HS-S.3-GLE.3
- VA09-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.1, VA09-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.2, VA09-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.3

**Inquiry Questions (Engaging-Debatable):**
- Why do various cultures experience and define identity differently in their art? (VA09-Gr.HS-S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.2-GLE.3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.4-GLE.1)
- Can art reveal our values and beliefs?
- Why might artists consider the juxtaposition/relationship of the art elements within a composition to add “wow/pop” value, direct the viewer, and/or add emphasis?
- How is value/worth assigned to a culture’s art?

**Unit Strands**
- Comprehend/Reflect/Create/Transfer

**Concepts**
- Juxtaposition, Composition, Traditions, Culture, Relationships, Beliefs and Values, Identity, Expressive Features, Media, Variety

### Generalizations

**My students will Understand that...**

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<td>What media/materials might an artist use to express their individual identity?</td>
<td>Why would an artist’s environment influence their art? Could an artist’s environment ever not influence their art? Explain.</td>
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<td>Artists use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity. (Making) (VA09-Gr.HS-S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.2-GLE.1,2) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.4-GLE.1,2,3)</td>
<td>How might an artist use line as an expressive element? What shapes or forms might you find in cultural traditions?</td>
<td>Why would an artist use technology or new media to express individual identity rather than drawing or painting or other traditional media?</td>
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<td>Composition can reflect the complexity of an artist’s cultural identity. (VA09-Gr.HS-S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.2-GLE.1,2) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.4-GLE.1,2,3)</td>
<td>How do compositions from two or more cultures compare? How does complexity developed in these pieces?</td>
<td>How can complexity be beautiful or ugly? What contributes to an individual’s interpretation/judgment of what is beautiful?</td>
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<td>Artists juxtapose and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs through a variety of media. (VA09-Gr.HS-S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.2-GLE.1,2) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS-S.4-GLE.1,2,3)</td>
<td>How does Weiwei or another artist challenge his or her cultural roots through art? How does the above artist’s work compare with other artists such as Sally Mann?</td>
<td>How might an artist use juxtaposition between preconceived ideas/beliefs and artist intent to question perception? Why might an artist’s identity be different than that of...</td>
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**Critical Content:**

My students will **Know**...

- How to use characteristics and expressive features of art in new media and technology. (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

- How technology and new media can expand or personal voice. (Making) (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

- Techniques to create complex and meaningful compositions in a variety of media, i.e. Media Arts- Digital Arts, Photography, Computer, Graphic Design, Film, YouTube, Video. (Making) (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

- How art functions as an agent of social and political change (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

**Key Skills:**

My students will be able to **(Do)**...

- Use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects identity. (Making) (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

- Create art that reflects complexity of an artist's cultural identity. (Making & Inspiration) (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

- Discuss how artist challenge and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs. (VA09-Gr.HS.S.1-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.2-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.3-GLE.1,2,3) and (VA09-Gr.HS.S.4-GLE.1,2,3)

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**Critical Language:** includes the Academic and Technical vocabulary, semantics, and discourse which are particular to and necessary for accessing a given discipline.

**EXAMPLE:** A student in Language Arts can demonstrate the ability to apply and comprehend critical language through the following statement: "Mark Twain exposes the hypocrisy of slavery through the use of satire."

**A student in ______________ can demonstrate the ability to apply and comprehend critical language through the following statement(s):**

Using the appropriate expressive features and characteristics, perspective drawings are created that demonstrate three-dimensional illusion on a two-dimensional plane.

**Academic Vocabulary:**


**Technical Vocabulary:**

- Expressive features and characteristics of art, composition, technology, new media, craftsmanship, technical ability, cliché, photojournalism, Illustrations, design
### Unit Description:
In this unit students will explore the ways that art can reveal individual and cultural values and beliefs, as well as challenge those values and beliefs. Students will gain an understanding of how artists employ expressive features and characteristics of art such as composition, juxtaposition, and relationship of elements to direct the viewer and/or add emphasis to what they are communicating about identity.

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### Supporting Generalizations:
- Artists juxtapose and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs through a variety of media.
- Artists use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity.
- Composition can reflect the complexity of an artist’s cultural identity.

### Performance Assessment: The capstone/summative assessment for this unit.

| Claims: | Artists draw from their personal values, cultures, and traditions to create works of art that reflect their individual and cultural identity. |
| Stimulus Material: | A local arts center is hosting a Media Arts Festival titled Identity and World Cultures. Drawing from personal heritage and traditions, submissions should reflect, examine, or challenge individual and/or cultural identity. Works can be submitted in the form of film, photography, or digital art. |
| Product/Evidence: | Students will create an artwork using media arts such as graphic design, photography, film/video, and digital software that reflects, examines, or challenges an aspect of their individual identity or culture. |

### Differentiation:
Students may:
- Self-select materials
- Work in pairs or small groups
- Choose whether their artwork will reflect, examine or challenge beliefs and values

### Texts for independent reading or for class read aloud to support the content

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## Ongoing Discipline-Specific Learning Experiences

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<td><em>Making Art: Form and Meaning</em> – Terry Barrett&lt;br&gt;<em>Talking About Student Art</em> – Terry Barrett&lt;br&gt;<em>Studio Thinking 2: The real benefits of visual arts education</em> – L. Hetland, E. Winner, S. Veenema, &amp; K. Sheridan</td>
<td>Sketchbooks, journals, process planning and artworks, completed art works and critiques/artist statements</td>
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2. **Description:** Think/work like an artist using symbols; effectively applying them to personal art making.

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## Prior Knowledge and Experiences

This unit would best be taught in a class where the teacher and students have some knowledge of current technology such as Photoshop, Illustrator, iMovie, Video editing software, ArtRage, etc. Additionally, some understanding of the creative process and how to document that process will help the students understand what they are exploring and learning.

## Learning Experiences # 1 – 6

**Instructional Timeframe: Teacher’s Discretion**

### Learning Experience # 1
The teacher may show examples of work by artists that explore the ideas of personal and cultural identity so that students can identify multiple ways artists express identity.

### Generalization Connection(s):

Artists draw from their personal values, cultures, and traditions to create works of art that reflect their individual and cultural identity.
Artists juxtapose and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs through a variety of media.
Artists use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity.
Composition can reflect the complexity of an artist’s cultural identity.

### Teacher Resources:

- [http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/tabaimo](http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/tabaimo)
- [http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/kerry-james-marshall](http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/kerry-james-marshall)

### Student Resources:

Annie Leibovitz: *Working with Composition*, Scholastic Art, 2007

### Assessment:

Students will construct a journal/sketchbook entry describing different ways that artists express identity through a variety of media. Sketchbooks and journals allow for demonstration of learning that elicits depth and complexity due to the organic nature of the format. Teachers may wish to provide students with a template (e.g., a word/semantic web template) for the entry.


### Differentiation:

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### Critical Content:

- How to use characteristics and expressive features of art in new media and technology.
- Techniques to create complex and meaningful compositions in a variety of media, i.e. Media Arts - Digital Arts, Photography, Computer, Graphic design, Film, YouTube, Video.
- How art functions as an agent of social and political change.

### Key Skills:

- Discuss how artists challenge and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs.
- Explain how art can be an agent of social and political change.

### Critical Language:

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| Compare and Contrast, Historical Significance, Articulate, Discern, Paradigm, Expressive Features and Characteristics of Art, Composition, Technology, New media, Craftsmanship, Technical Ability, Cliché, Photojournalism. Illustrations, Design |

**Learning Experience # 2**

The teacher may lead a discussion on some of the elements that create individual identity including traditions, rituals, and cultural heritage, so that students can explain and relate influences that contribute to an artist’s exploration of identity.

**Generalization Connection(s):**
- Artists draw from their personal values, cultures, and traditions to create works of art that reflect their individual and cultural identity.
- Artists juxtapose and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs through a variety of media.
- Artists use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity.
- Composition can reflect the complexity of an artist’s cultural identity.

**Teacher Resources:**
- [http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/tabaimo](http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/tabaimo) (Information and Work by Tabaimo)
- [http://www.studenthandouts.com/Assortment-01/Graphic-Organizers/KWL-Chart-Know-Want-to-Know-Learned-Instructions.html](http://www.studenthandouts.com/Assortment-01/Graphic-Organizers/KWL-Chart-Know-Want-to-Know-Learned-Instructions.html) (Worksheet for KWL chart)

**Student Resources:**
- Annie Leibovitz: Working with Composition, Scholastic Art, 2007

**Assessment:**
- Students will fill in a KWL chart, which tracks what a student knows (K), wants to know (W), and has learned (L) about a topic [http://www.studenthandouts.com/Assortment-01/Graphic-Organizers/KWL-Chart-Know-Want-to-Know-Learned-Instructions.html](http://www.studenthandouts.com/Assortment-01/Graphic-Organizers/KWL-Chart-Know-Want-to-Know-Learned-Instructions.html)

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**Critical Content:**
- How art functions as an agent of social and political change

**Key Skills:**
- Discuss how artists challenge and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs
- Explain how art can be an agent of social and political change
## Critical Language:


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## Learning Experience # 3

The teacher may provide a list of expressive features and characteristics including juxtaposition, appropriation, layering, etc. with definitions, so that students can analyze the elements in an artwork that communicates identity.

### Generalization Connection(s):

Artists juxtapose and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs through a variety of media. Artists use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity. Composition can reflect the complexity of an artist’s cultural identity.

### Teacher Resources:

- [http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/tabaimo](http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/tabaimo) (Information and Work by Tabaimo)
- [http://www.artonomy.co/2012/04/18/your-artists-sketchbook-10-tips-for-creativity/](http://www.artonomy.co/2012/04/18/your-artists-sketchbook-10-tips-for-creativity/) (Tips for a sketchbook)

### Student Resources:

List of expressive features and characteristics of art specifically pertinent to the Media Arts.

### Assessment:

Students will choose an artwork by one of the artists discussed and observe, interpret and reflect on the elements within that work that communicate identity. Students will present observations in small groups or to the class.

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<td>Students may research and define their own list of characteristics and features in art.</td>
<td>A PowerPoint or other visual presentation with definitions of terms and visual examples</td>
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### Critical Content:

- How to use characteristics and expressive features of art in new media and technology
- How art functions as an agent of social and political change

### Key Skills:

- Discuss how artists challenge and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs
- Explain how art can be an agent of social and political change

### Critical Language:

Compositions, Traditions, Culture, Relationships, Identity, Perspective, Complexity, Technology, Social and Political Commentary,
Learning Experience # 4

The teacher may provide examples of concept maps and graphic organizers so that students can identify elements of their own personal and cultural identity and consider what media/materials to use to represent those elements visually.

### Generalization Connection(s):
- Artists draw from their personal values, cultures, and traditions to create works of art that reflect their individual and cultural identity.
- Artists juxtapose and/or alter cultural traditions and beliefs through a variety of media.
- Artists use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity.
- Composition can reflect the complexity of an artist’s cultural identity.

### Teacher Resources:
- [https://www.eduplace.com/graphicorganizer/](https://www.eduplace.com/graphicorganizer/)
- [http://www.otis.edu/library/concept-mapping](http://www.otis.edu/library/concept-mapping)
- [http://www.inspiration.com/visual-learning/concept-mapping](http://www.inspiration.com/visual-learning/concept-mapping)

### Student Resources:
- Blank concept map or graphic organizer, sketchbook/journal

### Assessment:
Students will collect a variety of personal items that represent their role in consumerism. These items will later be used as subject matter in their observational still life “self-portrait” drawing.

### Differentiation:
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<td>Students may use a concept map template created by the teacher to organize their own ideas.</td>
<td>Students will create a concept map that links elements of their own personal and cultural identity to icons/objects that symbolize these traditions and experiences.</td>
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<td>Students may use multiple media to create their concept map including 3-D media.</td>
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### Critical Content:
- How to use characteristics and expressive features of art in new media and technology
- Techniques to create complex and meaningful compositions in a variety of media, i.e. Media Arts - Digital Arts, Photography, Computer, Graphic design, Film, YouTube, Video

### Key Skills:
- Use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects identity
- Create art that reflects the complexity of their own cultural identity

### Critical Language:
Colorado Teacher-Authored Sample Instructional Unit

Compare and Contrast, Historical Significance, Articulate, Discern, Paradigm, Expressive Features and Characteristics of Art, Composition, Technology, New media, Craftsmanship, Technical Ability, Cliché, Photojournalism. Illustrations, Design

Learning Experience # 5

The teacher may provide instruction on an area in the digital arts, so that students can acquire basic techniques and proficiency through a study (medium of choice) that reflects their identity.

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<td>Artifact can be a study using the technology, a question and answer form filled out by the student, or a sketchbook entry.</td>
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<td>Students may upload final projects to YouTube or develop a website that highlights their project.</td>
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<td>Critical Content:</td>
<td>- Students may show how technology and new media can expand or show personal voice.</td>
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<td>- Students can use techniques to create complex and meaningful compositions in a variety of media (e.g., Media Arts- Digital Arts,</td>
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<td>Photography, Computer, Graphic Design, Film, YouTube, and Video).</td>
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<td>Key Skills:</td>
<td>- Create art that reflects complexity of an artist’s cultural identity</td>
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<td>- Use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects identity</td>
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<td>Critical Language:</td>
<td>Beliefs and Values, Compositions, Traditions, Culture, Relationships, Identity, Perspective, Complexity, Technology, Social and</td>
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<td>Political Commentary, Justify, Investigate, Debate, Analyze, Document, Research, Interpret, Context, Influence, Differentiate,</td>
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<td>Compare and Contrast, Historical Significance, Articulate, Discern, Paradigm, Expressive Features and Characteristics of Art,</td>
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<td>Composition, Technology, New media, Craftsmanship, Technical Ability, Cliché, Photojournalism. Illustrations, Design</td>
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Learning Experience # 6
The teacher may review the stages of the creative process including brainstorming, planning, sketching, etc. so that students can fully develop the content of their artwork.

| Generalization Connection(s): | Artists use characteristics and expressive feature of art to create a visual representation that reflects their identity (Making). |
[http://www.photoshoplab.com/Photoshop-Tool-Basics.html](http://www.photoshoplab.com/Photoshop-Tool-Basics.html) (Basic tools in Photoshop)  
| Student Resources: | Adobe Photoshop or Illustrator  
Movie Maker or iMovie  
ArtRage Program  
[https://www.youtube.com/](https://www.youtube.com/) (Web based space to post Videos) |
| Assessment: | Student will develop a sketchbook or journal entries that show evidence of the creative process including planning, brainstorming, research, sketch or storyboard (media depending) and shows their final project proposal. |
| Differentiation: | Access (Resources and/or Process)  
Expression (Products and/or Performance)  
N/A  
Students may present orally or through images. |
| Extensions for depth and complexity: | Access (Resources and/or Process)  
Expression (Products and/or Performance)  
N/A  
Students may upload evidence of their creative process on a website or blog. |
| Critical Content: | Students may show how technology and new media can expand or show personal voice.  
Students can use techniques to create complex and meaningful compositions in a variety of media (e.g., Media Arts- Digital Arts, Photography, Computer, Graphic Design, Film, YouTube, and Video). |
| Key Skills: | Use characteristics and expressive features of art to create a visual representation that reflects identity  
Create art that reflects the complexity of their own cultural identity |