

Art 203 Beginning Drawing - Advanced Intermediate  
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### **Humanities and Fine Art Division – Art 203 Beginning Drawing II--Section 3312 – Spring Semester 2013**

Welcome to West Los Angeles Colleges Spring Semester 2013 Course in Beginning Drawing. This is a course in Foundations level drawing made up of three different levels: Art 201, Art 202 and Art 203. For the next 1 weeks, your studies will lead you through a series of successively challenging projects each using a variety of art materials and methods and techniques that are specific to the area of Drawing.

**Art 202 Course description :** Art 202 is an extension of the content explored in Art 201. Art 202 examines fluid use of line, composition, meshes simple shape into compound forms and explores textures through grey tonalities.

Required Texts: There is no text requirement however there are recommended readings and references some of which are outlined here:

“Drawing in Ink”      “Color Pencil Explorations”      “Color Pencil Solution Book”      **Other references are**  
by: Harry Borgman      by: Gildow      by: Gildow and Newton      **available on request**

#### **Art 203 - Materials List (Items available at Blick U)**

- Derwent Graphite Drawing Pencils**  
9B, 8B, 6B, 4B, 2B, HB, 2H, 4H, 7H
- Derwent Onyx Pencil Dark**
- 9100 Brush Set # 2, #4, #6 Soft Rounds**
- Black Cat India Ink 1 Ounce**
- Plastic Palettes 4 each**
- Intertape Masking Tape** ¾ inch x 60 yds
- Speedball Sketching Pen set # 56, #99, #22 pen nibs**  
plus **Croquille** pen nibs & Pen Holders as supplied
- Magic Rub White Plastic Eraser**
- Compressed Charcoal Sticks XXX Soft**
- Pre-Inked Black Scratchboard 11" x 14"**
- Scratch-Art Tool Set**
- Xacto Knife with #11 or #16 Blade**
- Glue Stick one tube White**
- Blending Stomp grey felt**
- Canson White Drawing paper 19" x 25"**
- Fiberstock Portfolio 23"X31"**
- Lyra Rembrandt Polycolor Premium Oil-Based Colored Pencil Greys Set of 12**

#### **Student Objectives**

- The student will research, manage and master challenges posed by the physical activity of drawing from direct observation.
- The student shall quickly gain understanding of basic drawing techniques, drawing media and their use.
- Each student will develop an effective time management system, a means to self-critique, to correct their work and to successfully complete **all** assignments.

#### **Institutional Learning Outcomes and Program SLO's**

- Critical Observation/Critical Thinking:** The student will analyze problems through differentiation of visual fact from opinion, using visual evidence and sound reasoning to develop multiple visual solutions.
- Visual Communication:** Effectively utilize visual communication/drawing methods to convey clear and well organized visual thought and persuasive ideas to convey visual solutions to tangible or intangible problems.
- Technical Competence:** Utilize appropriate techniques, drawing systems and methodology effectively for all project, personal use and develop professional level skills.
- Aesthetics:** Use multiple modes of inquiry and exploration with varied visually expressive forms and media to intelligently link Beauty and human experience with nature through studio art.

## Art 203 Beginning Drawing III

### **Student Objectives Upon Entering the Course**

1. Students will accept and manage challenges posed by the physical activity of drawing from direct observation on an on-going basis.
2. The Student will quickly gain understanding of drawing materials and media and their use.
3. Each student will develop an effective time management system, a means to pace themselves, acquire ability to self critique, to correct their work and to successfully complete all assignments.

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

#### *Learned outcomes, skills and abilities upon completion of Art 203 Course:*

1. Students will enhance their skills in free hand drawing, increase observation skills and improve their abilities to create eye-catching visual compositions using color media.
2. Student shall acquire methods, successfully apply sighting, scaling measuring and angling techniques to achieve accurate proportions of subject matter and visual elements.
3. Students shall demonstrate ability to construct simple rectangular, cubic, cylindrical, conic and spherical forms including organic forms, curves and angles.
4. Students will demonstrate their working knowledge of linear perspective.
5. Students shall render form, surface textures, define space, analyze and distinguish value contrasts and atmospheric perspective.
6. 202 Students will generate 6 to 9 high quality drawings executed in color media and presented in portfolio form.
7. Art 202 Students shall incorporate all the above items into their work, develop their creativity through visual organization of content designed from various themes, ideas, topic research and appropriation of secondary visual information.

### **Course Requirements and Assignment Guidelines**

#### **Art materials and supplies**

Art materials lists will be provided to you at the beginning of the course through email correspondence. Your first efforts will be to purchase the art materials and bring these to class at the next class session.

#### **Exercises**

All projects are preceded by a series of exercises that will familiarize you with studio technique being explored and to provide you with hands-on participatory practice. Exercises are similar to a quiz in a lecture class and should be considered an important aspect of your in-studio learning and part of your grade. Exercises will also be included in your Final Portfolio that you submit at the end of the semester.

#### **Projects**

There will be between 5 to 9 projects that together will form your portfolio. Students will begin planning and brainstorming stages of each project in class and you may commence working on your project after go ahead from instructor. Art studios are open studios and it is strongly recommended to return to the class to continue working from the studio still life set ups. Do not work from memory to complete your work - these projects are designed to develop your **direct observation skills**.

#### **Exceptions**

1. Each student may throw out their lowest score or a piece that they consider poor and not up to standards.
2. Art 202 and Art 203 students may also substitute one "Project of their choice" in lieu of the assigned project upon Instructor -student agreement.

#### **Critiques**

There are two mid-term Critiques about 5th and 10th weeks and one Final Critique- Final Portfolio submission where your best three pieces are presented. The Portfolio will contain all work completed during the course of the semester in chronological order, including exercises and rough sketches.

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### **Late Assignments**

It is practice to successfully complete all projects in time for critique. If your work is not completed or late, it is permissible to show your work however, no points toward that project will be awarded until that work is successfully and fully completed.

### **Progress Table/ Grading**

**Student progress** is monitored by your instructor and is a tool to take advantage of during one on one discussions with your teacher. Your progress as well as some of your personal insights and Instructor comments are added to this Progress table. Copy of chart will be attached to Final Portfolio.

**Grading** is based on a points per progressively challenging project basis. All Exercises, Projects and related work are objectively evaluated and issued point values:

<b>Exercises</b>	<b>Projects</b>	<b>Critiques (2)</b>	<b>Challenge Points</b>		
50 - 100 Points	150 - 400 Points	100 - 300 Points	50 - 200 Points		
<b>Portfolio/Final Critique Point Totals</b>					
<b>A+</b> 2745 to 3100	<b>A</b> 2744 to 2440	<b>B</b> 2136 to 2439	<b>C</b> 2134 to 1830	<b>D</b> 1829 to 1525	
<b>F</b> Below 1525					

### **Class Polices - Attendance**

Art 202 is a college level course and attendance is mandatory. There are lecture and demonstration segments to every class meeting and in some cases, question and answer and/or discussions will form an integral part of your course work. It is important that you attend every class session. **An absence will not release you from responsibility to submit a successfully completed portfolio and absence will not release you from due dates.** You are responsible to turn in your work in accordance to times lines. Attendance is very important as is arriving on time and remaining in class for the scheduled amount of time.

### **Leaving Class Early**

Please make all efforts to take care of personal matters such as using restroom, having a chance to eat, making phone calls/check messages, etc. This is a college level course and you must attend a specific number of hours to receive credit. **Leaving class early equals an absence.** Students will not be credited with having attended class for merely arriving and then leaving. Excessive leave earlies will result in your being excluded from class.

### **Preparedness/ Art Materials**

Homework, research and readings are assigned for the students welfare and knowledge. Home work is designed to provide foundational understanding regarding process, techniques, of materials to be used and thus it is the students responsibility to complete any outside assignments. Moreover, one must bring their Art materials - paper, drawing materials, tool box etc to each class meeting.

**Arriving without your materials is equal to an absence.** Working on a project or assignments from another class will also result in your being recorded as absent for that day/evening.

### **Cell Phones**

Place your cell phones on vibrate or OFF. As is indicated above under Leaving Class Early, personal matters such as communicating with others should be conducted prior to class meeting time. If you must arrange for transportation, this may be done upon taking a break and outside of the classroom. **Cell phone calls are a distraction** and the projects assigned in Art 202 require your unbroken attention.

**Instructor-Student Communication**

Please ask should at any time you have questions them. Email is the quickest form of communication with me should you have a question while we are outside of class. Always include your first and last name in your email messages.

**Recording Devices**

State law in California prohibits the use of any electronic listening or recording device in a classroom without prior consent of the instructor and college administration. If a student requires the use of electronic aids, they must first secure the consent of the Instructor and this notice of consent forwarded to the Vice President of Academic Affairs. This approval process is listed in WLAC catalog.

**Student Conduct**

Disruption of classes or college activities, loud and unruly behavior is prohibited and will not be tolerated. Refer to the Standards of Student Conduct in the WLAC schedule of classes for more information.

**Library Services**

Heldman Learning Resources Center (HLRC) (310) 287-4269 & (310) 287 4486  
 Art Courses require as much research as any other academic discipline and the WLAC Library is a fine resource for all your research needs, to satisfy your curiosity and provide either answers to or a basis with which to formulate questions. The HLRC has a very large collection of books, periodicals, videos, and aslo research data bases. Web access is available in the adjacent LIRL and also meeting or study rooms.

**List of Projects for Art 203 Monday Evening Spring 2013**

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**LIST OF PROJECTS FOR ART 203**

<p><b>1) Getting Started - Assignment ONE -- Purchase your supplies. August 26, 2013</b></p>	<p>Learn to set up a work area using an easel, drawing table, or board. Grasp importance of proper lighting, know the tools you will need in order to draw in graphite, conte crayon or charcoal. When we begin our work as a group you shall each learn about yourselves and discover how to pace yourself, to stop and step away from your work periodically, to observe your progress, and to make corrections.</p>	<p><b>Begin in class and finish at home -- Draw all items in you pockets, purse, book bag or items at home or office.</b></p>
<p><b>2) Exercise #1 Contour Line. Due End of Class session. September 09, 2013</b></p>	<p><b>Materials:</b> 18"x24" Paper 2 Uninstructed Line Drawings - <b>Medium</b> – Graphite Pencil 2B or 4B  <b>Time:</b> 4 Drawings 25-30 minutes each. <b>Choose best one.</b>  <b>Homework: Find and Bring 2<sup>nd</sup> B&amp;W photo, glue stick and Xacto for next class meeting.</b></p>	<p><b>Subject:</b> Copy a Line Drawing from the internet or find <b>two</b> interesting B&amp;W photos.</p>
<p><b>3) Project #1 Continuous Fluid Line Watch Instructor Demonstration September 09 thru 15, 2013 DUE: September 16, 2013*</b></p>	<p><b>Materials:</b> 18"x24" Paper  <b>Method:</b> Cut 2<sup>nd</sup> B&amp;W Photo into 1/3's. Position photo as per Instructor Demonstration. Attach with glue stick and begin to draw 4 rough line drawings using continuous line.  <b>Medium:</b> Graphite - 4B or 6B  <b>Objective:</b> Using ONE continuous unbroken line, execute 4 completed drawings in 30-35 minute increments. ( 2 of each section)</p>	<p><b>Subject:</b> Work from Re-Arranged B&amp;W Photograph in graphite.   <b>First Critique: September 16, 2013*</b>   <b>Please Purchase Scratch board 9" X 12" and tools for next week</b></p>

<p><b>4) Project #2 Tonal Drawing</b> using Scratch board</p> <p><b>September 16 thru September 23, 2013</b> <b>DUE September 23, 2013</b></p>	<p><b>Materials:</b> 9"x12" Scratchboard paper –</p> <p><b>A) Use 11- Step Value System</b> in Subtraction</p> <p><b>B) Graduated Tonal Scale</b> - Create Tonal Scale using Scratchboard. <b>Work on in class and at home.</b></p> <p><b>Medium:</b> 9" X 12" Scratchboard and scratchboard tools.</p> <p><b>Objective:</b> Create tones matching values in your B&amp;W photos.</p>	<p><b>Subject:</b> B&amp;W Photo</p> <p><b>Values:</b> Apply Tone to <b>B&amp;W Photograph #1</b></p> <p><b>Two Value Scales</b></p> <p><b>A) Graphite Step Scale</b></p> <p><b>B) Graphite-Graduated Scale</b></p>
<p><b>5) Project #3 Master Methods - Chuck Close</b> 11 Step Value system using india ink and ink wash</p> <p><b>Sept 30 thru Oct 14, 2013</b></p>	<p><b>Value Using Ink Wash - Study Chuck Close and Joseph Raffael</b></p> <p><b>C) Use India Ink</b> as per demonstration.</p> <p><b>D) 11 Step system using Ink Wash</b> of varying tones.</p> <p><b>Subject Matter: A Prehistoric Fish or Current Scaly Fish</b></p>	<p><b>Fish in Ink Wash</b></p> <p><b>C) Graphite</b></p> <p><b>D) India Ink</b></p> <p><b>Must be in Final Portfolio</b></p>
<p><b>6) Project #4 -Tonal Drawing - Similar to stippling. Use Finger Prints</b></p> <p><b>Oct 14 thru Oct 28, 2013</b></p>	<p><b>Finger Print Drawing</b> - Complete your copy of Photo #2 Large Portrait - by using Values and Tones by applying finger prints to paper using a stamp pad.</p>	<p>Apply Stippling effects using Stamp pad and fingers</p> <p><b>Photograph #2</b></p>
<p><b>7) Project #5 - Ink Drawing &amp; Color</b> <b>203 Paper Bags Set Up using Wet and Dry Art media.</b></p> <p><b>Nov 04 thru Nov 18, 2013</b></p> <p><b>** Please Begin FINAL PROJECT NOW!!**</b></p>	<p><b>Subject: 203 Paper Bags Set Up using Wet and Dry Art media</b></p> <p><b>Method:</b> Use View Finder to assist you with composition. Complete drawing through use of hatching technique, Varied marks, Line quality and line character &amp; combine with ink wash and/or color inks or Watercolor. Generate at least three (3) rough drawings <b>prior to</b> selecting a final composition. Use creativity drips, splatters, runs - or photorealistic precision! Anything to spice up the work!</p>	<p>Use Pen and Ink using Hatch and Cross Hatching to achieve Light, Tone, Shadow and Color effects.</p> <p><b>** Please Begin FINAL PROJECT NOW!!**</b></p>
<p><b>8) Project #6 - Illuminated Bowling Pins &amp; Bowling Ball</b></p> <p><b>Nov 18, thru Dec 02, 2013</b></p>	<p><b>Subject: Illuminated Bowling Pins &amp; Bowling Ball</b></p> <p><b>Objective: Overlapping Forms – Light Logic</b></p> <p><b>Medium: Charcoal, Charcoal Pencil, Conte or color pencil</b></p>	<p><b>Creativity project</b></p> <p><b>2- 18" X 24 Sheets taped together</b></p> <p><b>Begin Work Imaginary Place</b></p>
<p><b>9) Project #7</b> <b>An Imaginary Place</b></p> <p><b>Dec 02 thru Dec 09, 2013</b></p>	<p><b>Subject: Design and Construct an Imaginary Place, Space, Planets, forward/back in time. Whatever Inspires you. Draw with craft &amp; care. Your choice of media and paper.</b></p>	<p><b>Creativity project</b></p>
<p><b>10) PROJECT OF YOUR CHOICE</b> Extra Credit / Project Revision</p> <p><b>Due Date Dec 09, 2013</b></p>	<p>Use this time to improve upon a previous assignment or Make up a missed project. Your choice of subject your choice of art material <b>Emphasis on Quality.</b></p> <p><i>If time disallows this project may be scratched</i></p>	<p><b>Creativity and Self-Management Project</b></p> <p><b>Due Dec 09, 2013</b></p>
<p><b>11) Final Project -</b> Due: FINALS WEEK Portfolio of completed projects.</p> <p><b>December 09, 2013 6:00-8:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Subject: Design a Postage Stamp based on a Vintage Movie Actress, WWII or Iraq War Hero, or Amphibian.</b></p> <p><b>Materials: Bristol drawing paper 12" X 15"</b></p> <p><b>Lyra Rembrandt Polycolor Premium Oil Based Color Pencil (Set of 12 Colors )</b></p>	<p><b>Subject:</b> <b>Vintage Postage Stamp</b></p> <p><b>Medium:</b> <b>Lyra Oil Pencils (Color set)</b></p> <p><b>December 09, 2013</b> <b>6:00-8:00 PM</b></p>

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