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Elements and Principles of Art for Textile Artists

exercises to spark your creativity

Kick-start your creativity and learn about the basic elements and principles of good design. Learn why some colors fizz while others explode, why some art calms and some excites. These exercises will help you learn few simple tools from the artist's kit that will help you take your textile work, no matter your medium, no matter if you are traditional or contemporary, to the next level.

Lyric translates the language of ART into delightful and simple to understand concepts and presents them in such an entertaining and practical way that everyone goes home thinking, "I can do that!" She is on a crusade to convince everyone that they can use the principles of art in whatever kinds of art they love to create.

The elements and principles of art are the building blocks for every piece you create. It doesn't matter if you think about the elements consciously or design intuitively. Every single work of art you see is made of various combinations of texture, shape, line, color, and value. They are the basic five-letter alphabet of the visual language.

When you put these letters of the visual alphabet together in various combinations, you create words with meaning. You create compositions with Unity, Focal Point, Balance, and many other principles. Learn to see, understand, and analyze how each element and principle works in your compositions. This skill will help you to create work you love, raise your understanding of what is and isn't working in each piece you create, and help you find your vision and hone your creative voice.

Whether you have a formal background in art or are completely self taught, this course is something you can truly benefit from. Register now as enrollment is limited.

Supplies

- 8" x 10" (or around that size) sketchbook (spiral bound is easiest)
- (In-Person) quart sized zip-loc bag of scrap fabric including some neutrals (white, creme, beige), any fibers, or papers are welcome. This fabric will be shared with your classmates. (Virtual = access to your stash.)
- glue stick
- baby wipes (to get glue off fingers)
- scissors
- pencil and black ink pen
- this class can also be worked with paper, markers, paint, or any medium you prefer

Optional

- digital camera
- [Art + Quilt: design principles and creativity](#) exercises by Lyric Kinard