Date 10/4/23 Hour ²

This project is worth 100 points. This project breaks down to 70 points for research and 30 for YOUR Images.

There are two part- Part 1 and Part 2. It is broken down because part is the report and the other part are the photos you will be taking and editing.

List of Photographers can be found at https://skylinehsdigitalphotography1.blogspot.com/p/project-15-photographers-report-part-1.html

THIS DOCUMENT IS YOUR GUIDE. You will need to fill this out but you need to POST TO YOUR WEEBLY under a new page titled Photogrpaher's Report.

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Photography Research Information

Choose a Photographer to research and record the relevant information below. Be thorough. Be sure to record your 3 sources! No Wikipedia. You may use Wikipedia as a guide. Meaning only if you follow and source the original source. Complete both Part 1 and Part 2.

PART 1

1. Personal Background: (5 sentences. Culture, nationality, schooling, *important life events*, etc.)

Name of Artist: David Arky

Dates of Artist's Life: Born, 1972

2. Style: (5 sentences. What visual characteristics does this artist's work possess? If you can compare it to a painting or art history style please do.)

David Arky is an object/still life photographer. He is known for his colorful backgrounds and modern looking colors. He takes everyday objects and makes them unique and very clear and detailed. He does a lot of x-ray photography and shows what would be the insides of objects. A lot of his work is used for businesses and advertisement, because he plan s his work around certain things they will be used for.

3. Philosophy: (5 sentences. What were the major ideas behind this artist's work? Where they personal, political, social, etc. What were they trying to "say" with their photographs?)

His photos are not just for art's sake. He uses photography to solve issues and help people. He has commission photos where he photographs magazines, quotes, catalogs, etc. He has an album of conceptual still lives where world issues are involved. There's geography, diet, politics, health, and technology. He writes out his ideas first before creating them to make it perfect.

4. Influences: (5 sentences. How has the photographer influenced you in your work or who were they influenced by?)

He says that he gets most of his influence from his wife and kids. He lives in Brooklyn and there is lots there for inspiration. I personally get my inspiration and influence from what's around me and wherever i go. He has spent 40 years of his career as a commercial photographer so often times, he doesn't get as much creative freedom because he would be designing something for a business. Recently, he's been doing more photography for himself and says it is "both challenging and satisfying."

Part 2

For Part 2 of the Photographer's Research, you will need to choose **3 images by the Photographer you can recreate. This is the purpose of the Project.** You need to post the 3 images by your Photographer, their title and their source or link. Alongside or underneath the image by your Photographer you will post the 3 EMULATED or Imitated Images you created and edited.

5. Compare and Contrast: You will need to compare and contrast your final 3 images with the 3 images you choose by your photographer. Write about each piece (3 sentences.)

The first photo is of a watch. I used one of my moms old watches to capture this image. I made a reflection so that it would be similar to the reflection in the original. The second photo is of a magazine page. I found a magazine in my house to capture the same look of the photo. It is a white magazine page with the backside folded over. I chose the page that was the most similar to the original. The final picture is of a drink. To recreate this, I poured orange juice into a glass, put in a lime, and put a drop of red food coloring to capture the affect of all of the colors. I edited it to be a bit brighter with the curve tool and I think the colors match up pretty well.

6. Personal Artist Statement: Your images should tell a story. In 5 sentences tell me about your images. Use Visual Literacy vocabulary to enhance your report.

I used a variety of lighting to capture the same essence from each photo. It was a bit hard to get the same hues from each photo because David Arky's technology and style is very advanced. I used objects from around my house to get as close as possible to the original photo. I used basic editing on photoshop such as curves, brightness, and exposure. Each image is very different in terms of what it is, its category, and how it looks.

7. Resources: Cannot be Wikipedia. You need to include where you found the information about your artist, provide a link and/or article title.

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Student Example: https://mtsuphotography.weebly.com/final-report.html Laurens Kaldeway Personal Background

Laurens Kaldeway is Canadian and resides in northwestern Ontario. He is in his mid-40s. He is a teacher and a self-taught photographer. He started being interested in photography when his daughter was born. Laurens has said that if it weren't for his two kids, he probably would not have started taking pictures. Even though he considers himself a hobbyist, his photographs have been published in National Geographic. He is a reserved person and doesn't like to share much of his personal information.

Style

Kaldeway likes to take pictures of people and their surroundings. He also experiments with different types and styles of photography. For example, he takes some amazing macro photos of water and oil. Most of photos that he takes are of his kids and wife. He photographs them while doing everyday things like going to school, baking cookies, or playing with toys. This makes his style seem more relaxed and relatable. Since his images are based on everyday moments and objects, it helps the viewers connect with the emotions in his photos.

Philosophy

Kaldeway's work mostly consists of his family. He believes in taking pictures of his loved ones or things that are meaningful to him. Through his photographs, he describes who he is not only as a photographer but also as a person. He shows his love for his kids and life in general by taking pictures of the kids doing various things, such as reading or running. Family is one of the most important things for Kaldeway and it shows through his photography.

Influences

I was intrigued by the way Kaldeway uses ordinary objects and turns them into amazing pictures. I used to think that to take an interesting picture, there needed to be amazing scenery, models, or objects. After seeing his work, I am inspired to see the beauty in everyday objects and moments. I have learned a lot about composition and the importance of the way all objects are placed in a photo. One of my favorite things about his photos is that they are really personal and meaningful to him. I have learned that photos evoke more emotions if they show something about the artist's personality or life. This has led me to take more pictures of my daily life and also objects that express the way I am feeling in that moment.

Compare and Contrast



Fork (Kaldeway)

Soapy

This photo was probably the hardest to take because of the angle and light. Even though my photo was taken in portrait orientation rather than landscape, I felt that this angle was closest to

the original. I tried to get the camera as close to the water to try to create the same perspective. However, getting the picture from the same perspective with similar light was something I wasn't able to do. In Photoshop, I edited this image and made it black and white to make it a little more similar to the original.





Ice Cream Cone (Kaldeway)

Lamp Cream

For this picture, I focused on getting the main aspects of it rather than the details. I didn't have a plain blue background so I used a blue paper even though it had some designs on it. After seeing how the photo turned out with my paper background, I actually liked that it was the same idea but they each have a different style. I edited the image in Photoshop and I created a low opacity vignette to emphasize the cone, like in the original. I really liked taking this photo because I was able to incorporate my own style in the picture.





More Coffee, Please (Kaldeway)

Bright Bean

This image was hard to create because I didn't have a round plate for the bottom coffee beans. Also, the color of my coffee beans was darker and they were very oily. I relied a lot on Photoshop for this image to create something that looked more similar. I blurred the bottom coffee beans to try to create the same effect of depth. Then, I painted the white line that is supposed to be the plate in the original image. Finally, I added the color of the background. Even though the quality is not as good as Kaldeway's, I was proud to have used knowledge of Photoshop I acquired in class to create something that resembles Kaldeway's photograph.

Artist Statement

I really enjoyed taking these pictures. At the beginning, I had trouble choosing which image I wanted to recreate because he has many amazing photographs. I hope that my three photos depict the simpleness of daily life. The first photo (Soapy) represents all the struggles of life and how we need to rise above them. Lamp Cream represents the fun of life. I really like how the two elements, the cone and the bulb, are used to create a sense of surrealism to the picture. The third photo (Bright Bean) represents the energy of life. Each coffee bean depicts the little moments in life that give us the energy and strength to keep going.

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