

Scene design project 1

Poem project

Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to jump into the model making process without focusing as much on scale. Attention will be shifted on developing/presenting ideas in a 3-dimensional forms.

Materials necessary:

The items specified in the syllabus

1 adult shoebox with lid or similar sized cardboard box with lid

Step 1:

Select 3-5 poems that speak to you as a person. Ideally you would select poems that are descriptive in nature. Please limit your selections to 3 sentences to 1 paragraph in length.

Step 2:

Combine your collection of poems onto one sheet/email for the professor to make the final decision. The professor will be acting as director for this project.

Step 3:

Re-read the selected poem, extracting every specific item mention as well as descriptors that are mentioned. Write these down to share later. Additionally, if you have any feelings or emotions that you can put words to which were generated from the poem include those as well.

Step 4:

Generate an emotional response. This could be anything visual. It could be a picture or object that connects you to the poem. Most often this takes on the form of a small 8.5x11 collage with imagery gathered from the internet or magazines.

Step 5:

Present your descriptors list and emotional response to "Director". The director will respond to all items presented. Take specific notes during this conversation as this will be extremely useful for the next steps.

Step 6:

Use your model building materials to craft a diorama within the shoebox. Additionally, you need to cut an eye hole into one of the ends of the box. This controls the perspective in which viewers look at your project. Also, holes need to be cut into the lid to control the amount of light that enters the box. (This is just one more element of design you have control over)

Step 7:

On the due date of _____ the professor and class will view your shoebox. At that time, you will read out loud your poem. You will then briefly explain your approach and design choices. Finally, you will respond to any questions that may be presented.