

MUSEUM EXHIBITION VISIT AND RESPONSE ASSIGNMENT

DUE: Wednesday, October 5th at the Beginning of Class

POINTS: 100

PLEASE READ THIS ASSIGNMENT CAREFULLY! YOU WILL LOSE POINTS IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS!

Rubric:

- 1- Visit a Phoenix-area art museum (examples: Phoenix Art Museum (free to MCC students with ID), Mesa Contemporary Arts (free), Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art (SMoCA), ASU Art Museum (free) OR an art museum in another city you are visiting.
(Note: most museums offer a free day so check the various sites; most offer student discounts as well)
- 2- Select and tour a specific current exhibition or installation (i.e. works from the permanent collection).
- 3- **READ THIS:** Select a specific work of art. Write down the information from the wall label, gather any complementary interpretive material offered by the museum about the artwork and/or exhibition, make a rough sketch of the artwork, and make notes about formal elements and your response to it. Ask if the museum allows photos and if so, take one with your cellphone without flash.
- 4- **READ THIS:** WRITE a one page (maximum) response to this experience and to the artwork including these elements:
 - A - Name of museum, name of exhibition, Date visited, title of artwork with the information from the wall label. If there is no label, give your best guess to year/period, medium (materials used, dimensions).
 - B - Overall impressions of the museum and exhibition, i.e. the physical building, the way the art was installed, the lighting, the interpretive materials accompanying the exhibitions, friendliness/knowledge of personnel.
 - C - Why did you select the specific work? Describe the work listing some basic formal elements, i.e. figurative, landscape, abstract, color, black & white. What ideas did the work spark? How did you feel when/after viewing it?
 - D - Make a reference to an object, an artwork, architecture, or place that we have studied in our class. Be creative! This is your interpretation which is valid!