

# ELEMENTS OF ART VOCABULARY

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LINE	SHAPE	COLOR			
straight	dash	2 dimensional	positive	Primary – cyan,	
curved	zig zag	geometric	negative	magenta, yellow	
narrow	parallel	organic	open	Secondary – orange,	
wide	vertical	natural	closed	purple, green	
thick	horizontal	angular	rectangular	Intermediate –	
thin	diagonal	circular	triangle	blue-green,	
long	meandering	simple	square	red-violet,	
short		complex	circle	yellow-green,	
broken		symmetrical	oval	blue- violet, etc.	
dotted		asymmetrical	irregular	Warm Colors – red,	
				yellow, orange	
				Cool Colors – blue,	
				green, purple	
				Complementary –	
				opposites on color	
				wheel	
				Value – the lightness	
				or darkness of color	
				Tint – a color with	
				white added	
				Shade – a color with	
				black added	
				Tone – a color with	
				gray added	
TEXTURE	SPACE	FORM			
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smooth	actual	open	filled	3 dimensional	carve
rough	visual	closed	empty	sculpture	sculpt
silky	dull	deep	narrow	cone	architecture
soft	coarse	shallow	wide	cube	mobile
hard	metallic	overlapping	vast	cylinder	
sharp	pebbled	perspective	small	sphere	
cloudy	simulated	foreground		additive	
sandy	fine	middle ground		subtractive	
shiny	scratchy	background		relief	
satiny		point of view		monumental	
grainy		placement		assemblage	
				model	