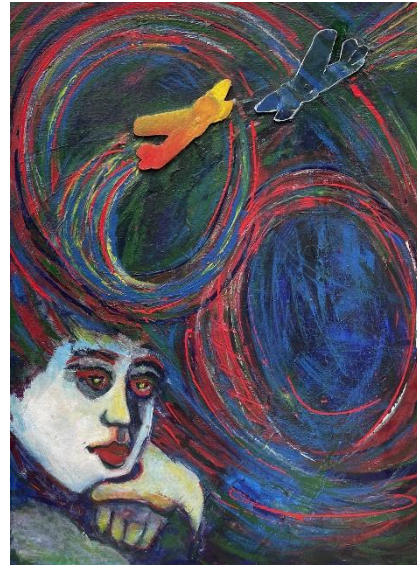


We Are Enough

Lesson Plan: Exploring Subject Matter and Theme



Julie Denesha
Thatching (2023)
Archival Print
13" x 19"



Nano Nore
Self Portrait: flown planes Manic & Depression
Acrylic on Stretched Canvas
36" x 26"



Dean Kube
Sleeping Family (2021)
Acrylic on Cradled Birch
30" x 30"



Clarissa Knighten
Spiritual Transcendence (2023)
2D Jewelry / Mixed Materials on Copper
13" inch neck

Big Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kansas City is home to a diverse group of artists that address varying subject matters and themes in their work. 	
Vocabulary	<p>Examples of Subject Matter in Art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature • Abstract • Portraiture • Landscape • Still Life 	<p>Examples of Themes in Art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conflict and Adversity. • Freedom and Social Change. • Heroes and Leaders. • Humans and the Environment. • Identity. • Immigration and Migration. • Industry, Invention, and Progress
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student will be able to create and explain artworks focusing on a specified subject matter or theme 	
Questioning Prior Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the subject matter or theme used in the examples provided, the title may provide guidance as well as researching the artist. • Discuss well known works of art and their subject matter or theme. • Discuss how subject matter or themes popular with artists have changed over time. 	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What circumstances can influence an artist’s subject matter or theme? • How have technological developments, such as the camera phone or inkjet printer, created more subject matter or themes for artists to choose from? • How can the choice of subject matter or theme influence how viewers see the artwork? 	
Field Trip Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will explore the exhibition and identify three works in different subject matter or themes that they like. • Students will identify the subject matter or theme of each of the three artworks. • Students will identify how the artworks are like each other. • Students will identify how the artworks are different from each other. • Students will examine how subject matter or theme can impact the methods, materials, and styles used by an artist. 	
Classroom Follow Up Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will create two artworks, using two different methods and mediums, focusing on the same subject matter or theme. • Students will explain how the artworks are similar and how they are different. • Students will explain how the choice of subject matter or theme determined the method, materials, and style chosen. 	