Artist Statement

Project- Describe your artwork. What is it? What do you see? Which colors did you use? Which mediums did you use and why?

Concept- Explain the concept. Why does the artwork have meaning to you? What were your sources of inspiration? Why did you create the artwork? What are you trying to express in your artwork?

Skills & Technique – How did you create the artwork? What skills did you need to create the artwork?

Risk Taking – What new skills, technique or medium did you use? What are the problems you encountered during the project? How did you overcome those problems?

Reflection – What is successful about the project? How could the project be improved? Are you happy with the outcome of the project? Why or why not?

Example

*Vader fruit Hic* is a lithography print depicting Darth Vader in a hoody within an ornate frame. The print is black and white. The reason for choosing lithography for this piece is to create a connection to modern heroes and villains and the ancient prints of the elite.

I chose to create this image because I like exploring the ideas of authority expressed visually, and how we can change our perception based on how something is presented to us. I was inspired by the prints from 17th century Northern Europe, and interest in the Star Wars universe. Although I created this piece for an assignment, I chose the subject matter because I enjoy science fiction pop culture and the aesthetic of lithography.

I created the artwork by drawing on a metal plate with a grease pencil. After the drawing was finished, I burned the image into the metal plate with acid. Then, I coated the plate with a sealer over the parts without the grease pencil. Ink is the applied to the surface and then removed, leaving only ink in the burned image. After that, I created several prints of the image.

Lithography was a new technique for me. As a result, I encountered several problems during this project. First, the grease pencil cannot be erased, and any mistake had to be incorporated into the artwork. Second, getting a consistent image was difficult, and I had to practice several times until I was finally able to get consistency in the print.

Overall, I am happy with the image. It was a new experience and I think the results were successful and the image looks realistic. However, I would like to try to create thinner lines next time to create even more detail.

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*(Title)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* is a (art medium)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ depicting (visual description)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (medium) uses the colors \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(color description), because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The reason for choosing\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (medium) for this piece is because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Explain why this medium).

I chose to create this image because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(explain the idea behind your art work). I was inspired by\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (inspiration). Although I created this piece for an assignment, I chose the subject matter, because\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(why this subject matter).

I created the artwork by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(process). I first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (first step), then I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (second step). After that I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (third step). Finally, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (final steps).

Something new I tried was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Explain what was new for you). As a result, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(explain a problem you encountered). I was able to solve this problem by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Explain how you solved your problem).

Overall, what was successful about this piece was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (explain why it is successful). However, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (explain what could be improved).

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