A COLORFUL department chair Jeannifer Jeanelle shares her art philosophy



• Why I think art is important is not only for personal and cultural expression, but also for reflection of individualism and culture.??

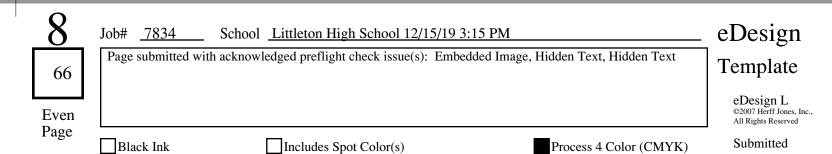
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STROKES OF GENIUS

art classes give students inspiration and a creative space

Art adds bright color and personality to the halls of our high school. This year, the art department took students to explore a new side of art and its implications. When attending art classes, Lions were welcomed to investigate new mediums and tamper with expression. From drawing to ceramics, this year everyone was given the opportunity to find at least one art class that would inspire them. These dedicated artists were given an abundance of opportunities, including field trips and even service projects. This included a trip to the Denver Art Museum. Senior Addison Bouck particularly enjoyed the trip, as an avid art scholar and the co-president of Littleton's National Art Honors Society chapter. Bouck expressed, "I think my favorite part of the museum, other than Monet and being with all my pals, was the other sections. It was a nice reminder that art can be anything and thus in a way, we are art." Students came in and out of art classes this year, however the impacts, like the one left on Addison, were long lasting. These impacts inspired the Lions to create not just for aesthetic, but for purpose. Students participated in yet another wonderful year of the memory project. Every year the art department makes a special effort to get students involved in this project, which consists of students painting portraits for underprivileged children abroad. Students typically put incredible effort into these pieces, and this year was no different. By the end, beautiful portraits showing incredible skill were produced, and this project has served as one more way that Lions can show their pride and commitment to not just their school, but their peers and the world around them. The art department gave students one more thing to find pride in in their school, and helped many returning and new students find an important outlet to express themselves and develop their skills.

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1. DEEP IN THOUGHT. Senior Addison Bouck thoughtfully looks at a painting. Bouck said, "Monet is my favorite artist so seeing him in person was very inspiring and not to sound cliché but it was 1000% life-changing." This year every art student was able to see the stunning Monet paintings in the exhibit visiting the Denver Art Museum. photo by Ivy Secrest 2. ALL SMILES. Cianna Kloewer (11) smiles at the artwork around her. Kloewer expressed, "I like to be creative and learn about art." Kloewer was able to experience an incredible art history course to pursue this interest. photo by Ivy Secrest 3. CREATIVE COLOR. Sylvia Musset (12) looks on a creation of her and her class mates after seeing Monet. Musset mentioned that the exhibit was "a life-changing exhibition and a great experience." These students took inspiration from the exhibit to create new art. photo by Ivy Secrest 4. FOCUS HARD. Freshman Dane Price focuses hard on one of his drawings. "I like art class because it helps me improve in drawing and other art skills," said Price. photo by Ivy Secrest 5. SHOW AND TELL. Jordyn Beckett (11) shows off her painting for an in class critique. "I really like all the creativity you can do almost anything you want and the teachers are really nice," mentioned Beckett. All students in Mrs. Verbos's class were encouraged to show off their art and provide meaning for the class. photo by Italivy Gutierrez Guzman

PRIMARYstudents discussMEDIUMtheir preferredtypes of art



"I really love canvas because there are so many things you can with it allows me to really use paint to my advantage." - Maddie Engeman (12)



"I like chaotic and hectic collages because there are so many people who don't understand what I do when making them" - Evan Bartlett (12)



"I feel like painting puts me in a creative mindset and it's very calming for me and makes me feel peaceful, it's a way to get out of the real world." - Alexis Lacy (11)

the **one** in the nursing program ALEXA ZASULY



"I have a great passion for medicine and am getting a head start in the field."

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