

Unit H

Minimalism

Introduction

Less is more. Minimalism is the use of a limited number of elements in a composition (line, shape, texture, color, etc.). Include as little in the frame as possible to make it a complete and intriguing image. If you can't find interesting subject matter, experiment by creating paper sculptures to photograph. Remember to consider the relationship of your subject matter to the background. You can use the backdrops at school, and a macro lens would be great for up-close images. Consider getting a variety of options or create contrast between your series when editing the images in Photoshop.

To gain inspiration, explore the work of photographers and artists such as:

- Harry Callahan
- Michael Kenna

Learning Targets:

I can use a camera to demonstrate personal voice.

I can choose appropriate equipment and techniques to best demonstrate my ideas.

I can apply the principles of design to my images. (emphasis, balance, etc.)

I can use asymmetrical balance to activate the entire frame of an image.



Research

<https://www.scoop.it/t/photography-by-sara-henrikson-3>

Scoop.it 1 artist & 1 additional resource w/ insight

Read the corresponding Unit H curated content on my Scoop.it.

Then, find an artist that you found to be influential for this project. You will also need to find one additional resource that helped you prepare for Unit H. This resource could be a Photoshop or Camera tutorial, an article to read, or something else beneficial to your photography needs relating to Unit H.

Curate your Scoop.it by adding the links of the artist and additional resource. Make sure to provide 2+ sentences, written in your own words, explaining the significance of your artist and resource.

Assignment

1. Find a variety of subject matter to photograph, and limit the number of elements of art incorporated in each frame.
2. Capture 20+ images demonstrating minimalism composition techniques.
3. Utilize tools and techniques in Photoshop to enhance your compositions.
4. Edit 4 different minimalism images. Each image must contain different subjects. No repeated imagery!
5. Upload your final **4 Images** for Unit H on your Weebly Photo II page.