Visual Art

General senior subject



Visual Art provides students with opportunities to understand and appreciate the role of visual art in past and present traditions and cultures, as well as the contributions of contemporary visual artists and their aesthetic, historical and cultural influences. Students interact with artists, artworks, institutions and communities to enrich their experiences and understandings of their own and others' art practices.

Students have opportunities to construct knowledge and communicate personal interpretations by working as both artist and audience. They use their imagination and creativity to innovatively solve problems and experiment with visual language and expression.

Through an inquiry learning model, students develop critical and creative thinking skills. They create individualised responses and meaning by applying diverse materials, techniques, technologies and art processes.

In responding to artworks, students employ essential literacy skills to investigate artistic expression and critically analyse artworks in diverse contexts. They consider meaning, purposes and theoretical approaches when ascribing aesthetic value and challenging ideas.

Pathways

A course of study in Visual Art can establish a basis for further education and

Objectives

,	udents will:
	implement ideas and representations
	apply literacy skills
	analyse and interpret visual language, expression and meaning in artworks and practices
	evaluate art practices, traditions, cultures and theories
	justify viewpoints
	experiment in response to stimulus
	create meaning through the knowledge and understanding of materials, techniques, technologies and art processes
	realise responses to communicate meaning.

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Art as lens Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: lenses to explore the material world Contexts: personal and contemporary Focus: People, place, objects Media: 2D, 3D, and time-based	Art as code Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: art as a coded visual language Contexts: formal and cultural Focus: Codes, symbols, signs and art conventions Media: 2D, 3D, and time-based	Art as knowledge Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: constructing knowledge as artist and audience Contexts: contemporary, personal, cultural and/or formal Focus: student- directed Media: student- directed	Art as alternate Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: evolving alternate representations and meaning Contexts: contemporary and personal, cultural and/or formal Focus: continued exploration of Unit 3 student-directed focus Media: student- directed

Assessment

Schools devise assessments in Units 1 and 2 to suit their local context.

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a subject score out of 100. Students will also receive an overall subject result (A–E).

Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4				
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Investigation — inquiry phase 1	15%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Project — inquiry phase 3	35%			
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Project — inquiry phase 2	25%					
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination						

Additional Requirements

Study Requirements	Special Requirements
This is a General subject and as such requires a significant commitment of time and energy to complete the course successfully.	Kepnock SHS is an iPad school. School owned devices are available for use within our student resource scheme.
As a guide students should be completing 120 minutes of revision and homework a night in addition to assignment requirements.	Students will be required to bring an iPad (9.7/10.2 inch, running iOS 14 or better, with 32 GB storage) to school each day.
Students are encouraged to develop and maintain a study plan to assist in revising concepts learnt during face to face lessons.	The school has a replacement scheme for iPads that need to be serviced or repaired. (Please note, no other BYO device is supported by the school.)