Elements of Design

Elements of design are the basic units of a visual image, they include space, line, balance, color, and shape. The elements also compliment each other.



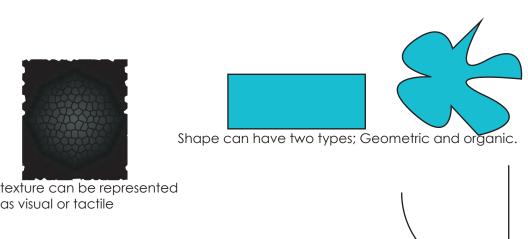
asymmetrical or radial.

Space can be described as having positive of negative (the space around or inside the contour lines)

form can be either organic or gemoetric dimentions. showing illusions

Color can have three properties, a hue, value or intensity.

The balance in a design can have either symmetrical,



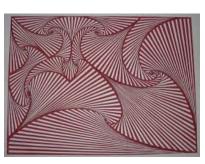
Lines can be vertical, horizontal, zigzag, diagonal or curved.

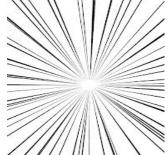
Line

Line is the basic element that refers to the continous movement of a point along a surface. Every line has length and thickness and direction.

Lines can help focus pictures. They also help show direction.

- Lines can be straight or curved.
- A line has length, thickness, and direction.
- A line is an element of design.

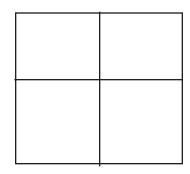




A line is used for edges of shapes, to create outlines, and to show length, thickness and directon.

You can use a line when making things you want to have a focus point, or when making things like boxes or things with direction.

Lines are used everywhere. Such as artwork, designs and in everyday use. Almost everywhere you look you can find a line.



Lines can also be used to devide a space, as seen above.

A line is an element of design.

Shape

Element of Design

the quality of a distinct object or body in having an external surface or outline of specific form or figure.

A defined flat enclosed area that is two-dimensional. A shape can be either geometric, which is drawn with a ruler, or organic free-

hand shapes

Attract the eye to a focus point
Distinguish certain things from others
Shapes make up everything that there is

shapes are used to contrast the picture

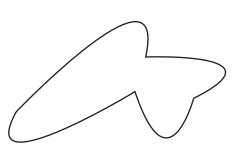
Shape being used

Can be used whenever you need to make something

Can be used in all types of art



Examples



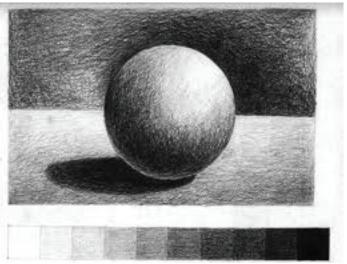
Value: Element

Defintion: The lightness or darkness of color

In graphic design value is used to create shading and show the movement of light as it hits an object. It is key to creating the illusion of light.

- •It is used to show shape and movement in art pieces.
- •Use when trying to show emphasis on specific parts of the work.
- •Use it anywhere you want to create the illusion of light in a work of art.





COLOR

Color is a design element used to draw attention. The basic three colors are red, yellow, and blue. Color has three qualities; hue, contrast, and saturation.



Each color has a complement



Use color to tie items together



You can use color to make something stand out

Ex: Advertisments, Road Signs, Magazines, and Poisonous animals are usually brightly colored

> Color is used in the Skittles advertisment to draw attention to their product.







An Element of Art

An actual three dimensional object or the word used to refer to an illusion of three dimensions on a two dimesional surface



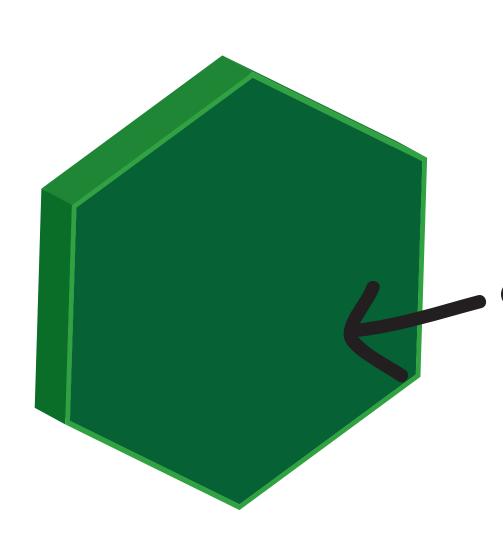
Geometric

- -Construction
- -Organization
- -Durable and Heavy

Organic

- -Free forming objects
- -Light and inviting
- -Fragile

Organic Form



Geometric Form



The Element of Texture

There are two types of texture, Visual and Tactile. Visual is an illusion of a three demensional sufrace and tactile is what we can actually feel.

Texture can be:
-rough or smooth
-matte or shiny
-Visual or Tactile

Texture is used by layering a line, text, or image to show depth

Texture is used when you want to emphisize something

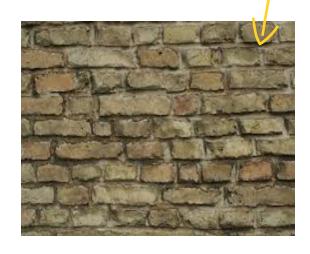
Texture is used where you have to show how an object feels



Where texture is used



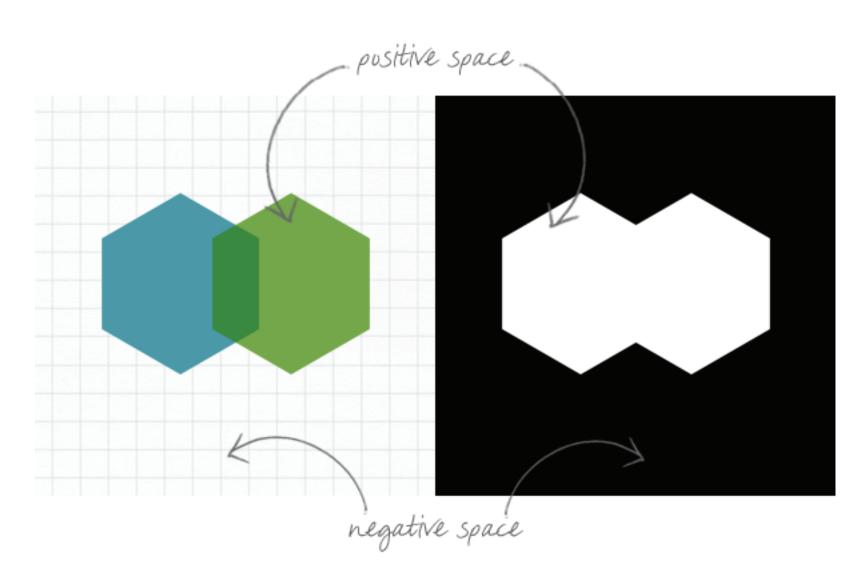






Space is the area or depth in a work of art. Space can be negative or positive. Space can have two dimensions or three dimensions.

- Includes background, foreground and middle ground
- There are two types, positive and negaitive
- Refers to the distance or area around, between or within components.



Positive space can be two or three dimensional shapes or forms. Positive spaces are solid. Negative space is the empty spaces between shapres of forms.
Negative space drawns attention to the shapes.

Design Principles



Balance- equalizing visual forces



Rhythm-repeated elements



Movement- the way your eye moves



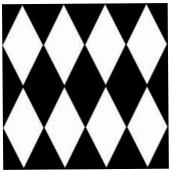
Unity- combination of elements



Contrast- pulls attention towards vocal point



Emphasis- to stress one area

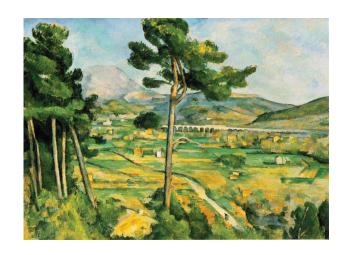


Pattern- repeating elements

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Balance

Balance is concept of Visual equilibrium, And relates to our physical sense of balance. Without balance, objects and pieces can look chaotic.



In this Asymmetrical picture on the left balance is used as the form of the tree. To divide the picture in half to have to sides to look at with two different landscapes.

- Symmetrical Balance having the same amount of objects on both sides of a peice.
- Asymmetrical Balance- having balance, but one side has more visual sense than the other side.
- Balance is used to equal out the picture, and intend to give the viewer a sense of harmony
- Balance is used throughout in most pieces of art
- Balance should be considered always when making a peice of art
- In the painting above balence is used with the trees in the foreground and the mountains in the back round.
- Balances is a principle of art.

Principles of Design Unity

Unity in design allows the viewer to see a combination of elements, principles, and media as a continuation of one with the other to create a total effect.



Contrast and Balance



Rhythm and Pattern

Unity creates an integrated

image in which all the elements

are working together to support

the design as a whole. A unified

design is greater than the sum of

its parts; the design is seen as a whole first, before the individual

elements are noticed



principles used together
varying combinations
anything can be grouped together

Pattern and Harmony

It's used when things in a picture seem disjointed and multiple different principles can work together.

It's used to bring seperate principles together.

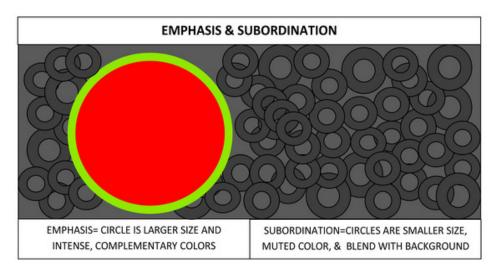
It's used where things are too different and need to be grouped together.

Principle of design

Defintion: stresses one area in a work of art to attract the viewer's attention

Emphasis is the focal point in works of art and where the eye is initially drawn. By putting emphasis on something, you make it "pop."

How to use it: make something bold, or stand out When and Where to use it: when you want the eye to be drawn to something For advertisements, makes customer want to stop and look at the ad Can be created by contrast Any object can be emphasised by looking different



emphasis= circle is larger in size and intense, complementary colors

emphasis= eye is drawn to the skull



Contrast Principle

Contrast is the variation in color, and texture. It can be used to make differences throughout the piece. It can also relate things together such as color or shape.

- ~The use of complementary colors can show contrast
- ~Use it when you want to show emphasis
- ~Use it to attract attention to a certain area to create movement
- ~dark vs. light
- ~rough vs. smooth
- ~large vs. small shapes

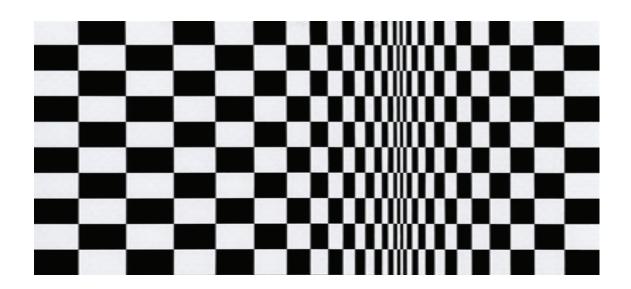




MOVEMENT

Design Principle Movement causes the viewers eye to look at the work of art in a certain manner or to produce the look of action.

- Lines make your eyes move to a certain area of the piece of art
- Creates a flow in the art work
- Movement allows the veiwer to make it easier to visualize the







Pattern: uses the art elements in planned or random repetitions to enhance surfaces of paintings or sculptures.

Patterns often occur in nature
-Ex: To advertise a zoo you can use
animal print patterns or it can be used in
fashion.

Pattern increases visual excitement by enriching surface interest
-Ex: This technique was used in pop art and is often used in abstract paintings and designs to create drama.



http://gdbasics.com/index.php?s=pattern http://www.nhsdesigns.com/graphic/principles/pattern.php



Principle of design

Rthym-placement of repeted elements in a work of art to create a visual tempo. Rhythm is a principle of design. Visual rhythm is created by positive shapes seperated by negative spaces.

Regular



- -occurs when the intervals between the elements
- elements are often similar in size and length

Progressive



-progressive rhythm shows sequence of forms through a progression of steps.

- -Flowing rhythm gives sense of movement.
- -often more organic

Flowing

