Lesson Plan Carolyn Kendell Art 5th Grade

Week of November 5, 2012 (week 4 of 4)

Hispanic Folk Art: Sugar Skulls

Objectives/Standards	Students will be introduced to history of Day of the Dead, and recognize that certain cultures have celebrations unique to them. On the control of the Dead, and recognize that certain cultures have celebrations unique to them.
	• Students will learn the difference between organic and geometric shapes.
	Students will learn how to create symmetry in a drawing.
	Students will experiment with watercolors to add elements to a collage.
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	VA:Cr1.1.5 Combine ideas to generate an innovative idea for art-making.
	VA:Re7.2.5 Identify and analyze cultural associations suggested by visual imagery.
	VA:Cn11.1.5 Identify how art is used to inform or change beliefs, values, or behaviors of an individual or society.
Procedure/Agenda	Key Words: shape, organic, color, variety, balance, symmetry, transfer,
1 Toccure/Agenda	composition, mood, folk art, culture, calavera
	Major Concepts: The lesson will introduce students to the Day of the Dead
STE A	celebration and sugar skull folk art. Students will learn about symmetry, organic
	shapes and how to plan a collage using paper, markers, and watercolor paint.
	• Input: Students will be asked to share prior knowledge of Day of the Dead
	celebrations. Students will be shown visuals of sugar skulls.
	Week 1
	Modeling: Teacher will encourage sharing of prior knowledge. Teacher will show
	students a PowerPoint about Day of the Dead celebrations. Teacher will explain organic
	shape, symmetry, and mood through color and expression. Teacher will model drawing half the skull, adding decorative elements, and then using the transfer method to create a
	symmetrical drawing.
	Guided Practice: Students will participate in the discussions. Students will watch as the
	teacher models drawing the skull and techniques for making it symmetrical. Students will
	have use of sample visuals to generate creative ideas for their project.
	Week 2
	Week 2 Modeling: Teacher will review transfer technique. Teacher will model using watercolors
	to make the decorations that will be placed around the sugar skull. Teacher will stress the
	value of good craftsmanship when adding color to the skull designs with markers.
	Guided Practice: Students will finish drawing and transfer skull to good paper. Students
	will experiment with watercolor to paint flowers, leaves, and decorative elements.
	Students will demonstrate skill in coloring skull decorations with marker.
	Week 3
	Modeling: Teacher will remind students to use learned techniques while using marker.
	Teacher will model using the principle of balance in a composition to add decorative
	elements to the sugar skull collage.
	Guided Practice: Students will color skull with markers, and plan composition. Students
	will begin to plan and glue their composition.
	Week 4
	Modeling: Teacher will remind students to use the principle of balance.
	Guided Practice: Students will finish adding flowers and leaves to composition.
Resources	PowerPoint on the Day of the Dead celebrations, 12 x 12 black paper, 12 x 18 white
	paper, sugar scull and flower handouts, scrap paper, markers, watercolors, brushes,
	scissors, glue, teacher produced sample.
Assessment	Students will be formatively assessed through observation and direct feedback as they
	practice learned activities. Summative assessment of the project will be based on a rubric
	which includes: demonstration of learned techniques, craftsmanship, creativity, and use
	of resources (including class time).