Coil Figurative Sculpture

Grand Total project points - earn up to 125 points

1st week – Research and Development – completion of R&D stage earn up to 10 points

View selected clay artwork, develop visual library in sketchbook, begin refining your own ideas, recognize levels of realism ←---→ abstraction. Define your own direction.

Expectation for students:

- 1. Collect images and ideas in your sketchbook, sketch your own intention with the project
- 2. Present your inspirations (5 pts) with your own ideas and sketches (5 pts).
- 3. Develop your artwork and get started with Clay Maquettes/Models during the 1st week

A few of the many clay artists using the figure as a form of expression/creation

- 1. Christine Federighi http://www.artnet.com/artists/christine-federighi/
- 2. Auguste Rodin http://www.rodinmuseum.org/collections/collectiontheme/6.html
- 3. Phillipe Farout https://philippefaraut.com/
- 4. Denise Gemin https://www.artmajeur.com/en/denise-gemin-2/artworks
- 5. Adrean Arleo https://www.adrianarleo.com/portfolio/
- 6. Mark Newman http://www.anatomytools.com/instructor-bio-mark-newman-w58.php

Denise Gemin



Christine Federighi







Auguste Rodin



Adrean Arleo



Phillipe Farout



1st week continued – begin building a few small model/maquettes to explore your ideas. Submit at least 3 maquettes by the middle of 2nd week. Earn up to 15 points.

2nd week – Be creative and critical! Select your best ideas and begin building with coil technique (or other) with careful attention to support extending areas, consistent thickness, securing coils together per day *and* score and slip daily progress, consistent drying rates, etc. Develop skills with working on a larger scale, primarily using coil-building methods.

 3^{rd} week – Continue construction and begin detail work. Use various methods to keep your clay work in a workable leatherhard stage.

4th week – allow for slow drying, check regularly to prevent/fix cracking. Submit your finished project for grading.

Coil Figure Sculpture

- 1. Meets Due Date 10 points
- 2. Meets or Exceeds Assignment Objectives 20 points
 - a. Size = minimum 12" in any direction, preferably height.
 - b. Primarily made with coil forming method
 - c. Based on the body/figure (not necessary to be human)
- 3. Skills improvement / applying new knowledge 20 points
 - a. Thickness and strength of coil building in proportion to scale of artwork
 - b. Supported structures and attachments
- 4. Creativity and Originality 20 points
 - a. Details, surface texture, embellishments earn more points.
 - b. Consider other materials to enhance sculpture: wire, metal attachments, found objects, etc.
 - c. Consider levels of realism and/or abstraction, fantasy
- 5. Quality Craftsmanship 20 points
 - a. Avoid cracks, clay boogers, and unnecessary thickness
- 6. Effort and use of time -10 points

Suggestions for finishing:

Chemical Staining / Glazing (to be fired again in the glaze kiln) OR Dry brush painting with acrylic paints

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