

Indiana Wesleyan University

ART381 Spring 2007

Extra Credit Assignment: "Art of the World"

Due: Beginning of class on April 19, 2007

30 Pts. Possible

Synopsis: *There is no better way to experience art than to be face-to-face with the real piece. However, much of the greatest pieces are located outside of the United States. This Extra Credit assignment will allow you to investigate the details of planning a trip in order to experience one of the great art cities of the world. Assume your budget is healthy, but you may stick with a strict budget or splurge for First Class.*

Project Criteria:

- Include a cover sheet with class and assignment information.
- Typed, double-spaced, normal-weight 12pt. typeface... or you are FREE to be creative.
- Discuss ALL the topics below.
- You may include images within the body of the paper. If not, place at end of paper on separate sheets.
- Include separate sheets for references and appendices.
- Staple in the top left corner.

Topics to discuss:

- City:
 - Select ONE city, anywhere in the world, that you would like to visit in order to experience its art.
 - Provide a short history of the city.
 - Provide a map of the city, noting where your selected pieces are located.
 - Explain why you selected this city and your criteria.
- Flights/Travel:
 - Investigate modes of travel/pricing to your selected city.
 - Print your travel plans and place in appendix.
 - Highly suggest using www.travelocity.com or www.expedia.com
 - Discuss choice & pricing; explain why you selected this mode.
- Lodging Accommodations:
 - Investigate lodging pricing in your selected city.
 - Print your lodging plans and place in appendices.
 - Highly suggest using www.travelocity.com or www.expedia.com
 - Discuss choice & pricing; Explain why you selected this hotel, such as location, price, in-door pool, etc.
- Selected Pieces of Art:
 - Select five pieces that you would like to see in or near your selected city.
 - Write a short synopsis of each piece and why you selected it; NOT a critical analysis.
 - Include one image of each selected piece.
 - Discuss location/museum, entrance fee and/or other considerations.
- Month of Travel:
 - Select which month you would travel and why.
 - Discuss choice with consideration of tourist seasons and weather conditions.
- Add any information you deem necessary for the assignment.

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"Art and the Soul" Extra Credit Assignment
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Purpose: *The purpose of this assignment is to allow the student to investigate how art affects their soul, by an in-depth study of three pieces of art from the collections of the Art Institute of Chicago.*

Project Criteria:

- Include a cover sheet with class and assignment information.
- Typed, double-spaced, normal-weight 12pt. typefaces.
- Minimum length of five pages for the written portion.
- Include separate sheets for references.
- Include one sketch of each piece on a separate sheet.
- Staple in the top left corner.

Format:

- Select THREE pieces that really speak to your soul. You have the freedom to select pieces from ANY PERIOD OR COLLECTION, not just the art periods covered in ART381: roughly Prehistoric to Gothic/1400.
- Write a comparison between the three pieces
- HOWEVER, the most important element is how the pieces SPEAK TO YOUR SOUL and WHY!
- The sketches are to allow for in-depth study of the composition and techniques of the artist. The sketches should be more than a "rough", but not a "finished" drawing. Size should be about 5" x 7"
- You may want to do some other research at other sites to bolster your opinions.

The most important thing to me is that YOU LEARN about great art. Not just to know arcane facts that you can reference at an exhibition ("Great chiaroscuro, dude!"). I want you to experience and understand how art can affect one's soul.

So wander around the Art Institute's website at: <http://www.artic.edu/aic/collections/index.php>
and find those three pieces that speak to your soul. You might ask questions like these:

- Does it change my spirit?
- Does it make me hurt...physically or mentally?
- Does it make my spirit soar... like eagles?
- Does it remind and convict me of my sin?
- Does it remind me of the Grace we all have available through Christ?

