Do's and Do Not's For Photographing Artwork for Digital Submission

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Importance of Photographing your Art Properly

- Digital submissions are important in the art world.
- Many applications, art shows, and art scholarships are chosen through someone photographing their art and sending it online.
- Therefore, you must learn how to take GOOD IMAGES of your art so they can showcase well to your viewer.
- Poorly photographed art can hurt your image as an artist.

First we will go through the:

DON'T List

Photograph art on a busy background.





• Photograph art at a funky angle.

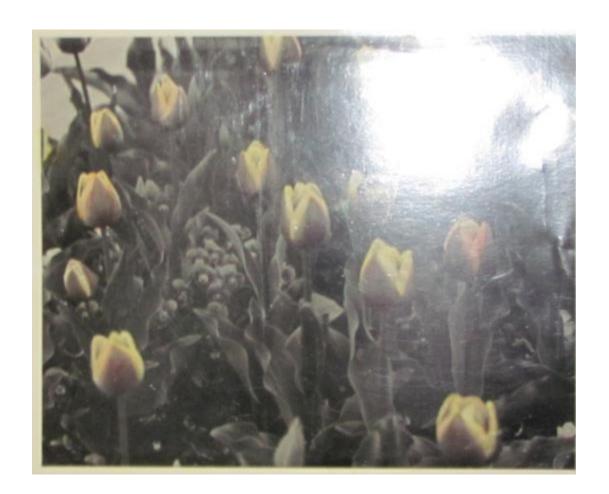




Use photographs that are not good quality.



• Photograph art with an extreme flash if not needed.



Turn the FLASH OFF if you are getting glare!



Now for the:

DO List ©

• Photograph art on a plain, black, or white background. Hang it up or put it on the ground.



• Photograph art in a WELL LIT AREA or by a Window!



• Photograph art level. Hang up or lay flat. Line up edge of artwork with edge of camera viewer.



- Make MINOR edits.
- Cropping and lighting adjustments are OK.
- NO MAJOR EDITS or filters!!!!! The art has to look accurate.





BEFORE AFTER

Another Examples of BEFORE and AFTER slight edits.





•Use a GOOD cell phone camera, a real camera, or your student device to photograph your art.

•Good Luck!

