

Designing your Relief Plaque

25 points

Objective: to create a line drawing using pencil to design your plaque, then use color pencils to plan out the color in your design.

First, you need to read the following project requirements:

1. The plaque should be between 7 x 9 and approximately 9 x 11 inches
2. The plaque may be vertical or horizontal
3. There must be one slab for the background surface of the piece
4. There must be some form of relief that has been created by adding clay appliqués or pieces of clay to build up the surface from the backing slab
5. There must be lettering / text
6. There are areas of carving into the clay; the carving may be on the added clay, the appliqués, or carved into the base slab
7. If the piece is to be hung on a wall, it must have two holes in both top corners
8. The sculpture must be painted with least 5 colors (using underglazes)

Design Steps:

1. **Create Lettering** using a typeface that is suitable for your place/location.
Use Word or Google Docs to select a typeface or use one of the sample fonts in the folders provided in class. Using tracing paper and a ruler to create a baseline for your letters, and then trace the letters that you would like to use. If you need this lettering larger for your design, I can make a photocopy enlargement for you.
2. **Add imagery to support your lettering.**
Create your own design...in other words, do NOT copy a postcard that you find online...use at least 3 combined references for buildings, landscape, etc.
3. **Add color** using color pencils.

Rubric for the Design: 25 total points

0 to 6 points: lettering has been traced and added to the design; the font is specific and has been carefully observed or traced or transferred to the design

0 to 12 points: imagery, including at least 3 objects/details/landscape elements has been added to the design; multiple references have been used

0 to 7 points: color has been neatly added with color pencil (image should be fully colored; -5 points for color that is only indicated with words or labels)

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Name:

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