

## **2011 AP Art Summer Assignments**

The objective of these assignments is to have you drawing a little bit (or a lot) every week throughout the summer. In order to improve your skills you must practice looking and drawing consistently and for sustained amounts of time. Please plan out how you will set aside time each week, and ideally each day, to work on art.

For the summer and the class you will need a sketchbook, a drawing pen or pens that you like (preferably not ball point), pencils of different lead softness and any other materials that inspire you.

### **Assignment #1**

Pick 3 objects that are thought provoking and visually interesting. Throughout the summer (NOT all in 1 week) draw these objects together as a still life 5 times. Each drawing should consider completely different situations from different perspectives with different materials, in different styles, on different sized paper, with different compositions. Push your self to observe carefully and to explore ways that you can make each of these drawing distinctly different. Each drawing should take at least 1-3 hours to complete.

### **Assignment #2**

Find the work of an artist that inspires you at a museum or in a public space. Sketch the work while looking at it (you must be looking at the real thing, not at a reproduction). Glue 1-3 of images of other works by the artist into your sketchbook (you can buy postcards or look the artist up on line and print.) Write a brief statement describing specifically what interests you about this work.

### **Assignment #3**

Write a list of 50 interesting things to draw.

### **Assignment #4**

Design an assignment for yourself. Write down the guidelines and goals for this assignment. Be sure to think about things like materials, location, perspective, size, format, style, etc. Complete your self assignment. You will submit both the guidelines and the art itself