Cycle: Systems
Color

# Due Date:

## Terms:

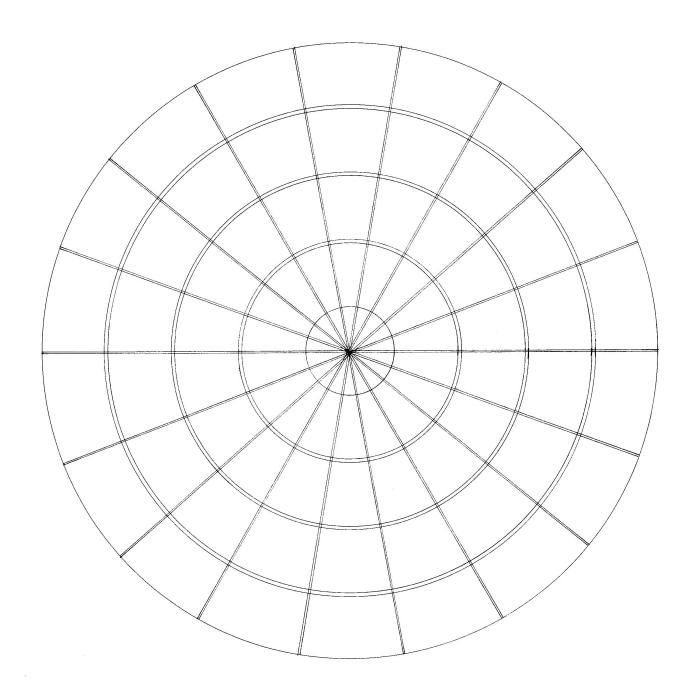
<u>Color wheel</u>: a circle with different colored sections used to show the relationship between colors.

<u>Analogous colors</u>: groups of 3 colors that are next to each other on the color wheel.

Complementary colors: colors directly opposite each other on the color wheel.

# Techniques:

Stippling: using numerous small dots or specks



# What is the most important aspect of color?

- Students will learn how color is perceived in the human eye, how color is connected to our emotions, and how colors blend.
- Students will control the color wheel, blending analogous colors to create color families, and opposite colors to create the browns.

## Projects:

### **Abnormal Psychology**

The human eye is thought to perceive color with photoreceptor cells that detect opposites. This is why the *after image* illusion can exist. Often, when a person is color blind, they see opposite colors as brown. In a color blindness test, the viewer will not see an image clearly.

- 1. Outline an image 6"x6"
- 2. Use tracing paper to cover your drawing, and stipple one set of complimentary colors.
- 3. Repeat step 2 with a family of analogous colors.
- 4. Cut white paper to fit behind your tracing paper drawings, and use glue stick to bind them.
- 5. Mount on black paper with 1" borders.

#### **Photo Journalism**

A picture is worth a thousand words. Using the objects in the scene, lighting, and background, photographers can use color to convey an emotion and tell a story.

- 1. Choose an appropriate subject, background, and lighting to convey a specific emotion.
- 2. Use the digital camera to capture an image showing emotion.
- 3. You may capture several different emotion photos, and narrow it down to your favorite.
- 4. Print
- 5. Mount onto black paper with 1"border.

#### **Education**

Color theory is the advanced study of color. Since Sir Isaac Newton split white light into the rainbow with a prism in 1672, we have deepened our understanding of color's importance in human life. Use the knowledge found in our color theory books to test your peers.

- 1. Using Microsoft word, create a 5-10 question test about color.
- 2. You may photocopy images, or paint your own examples.
- 3. Create a heading for the students' name and your test's name.
- 4. Make 25 copies of the test.
- 5. Administer your test to the class, and then grade it.