

Think About a Career in Art.

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What kind of artist can I be?

CAREERS IN ART?

EXHIBITING PAINTER
PERFORMANCE ARTIST
SCULPTOR FOR PUBLIC SPACE
ARTS ADMINISTRATOR
ART TEACHER
VIDEO ARTIST
COSTUME DESIGNER
BOOK ILLUSTRATOR
ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGNER
BIOMEDICAL PHOTOGRAPHER
WEB INTERFACE DESIGNER
WEB INTERFACE DESIGNER
COMMUNITY-BASED ARTS EDUCATOR
MURALIST
FILMMAKER
SET DRESSER FOR FILMS
JEWELRY DESIGNER
ART CRITIC/REVIEWER
FASHION DESIGNER
FORENSIC SKETCH ARTIST
TEXTILE ARCHIVIST /RESTORER
MUSEUM EDUCATOR
GRAPHIC DESIGNER
SPECIAL EFFECTS ANIMATOR
COMPUTER GAME DESIGNER
GALLERY OWNER
INTERIOR DESIGNER
THEATRE LIGHTING DESIGNER
CORPORATE ART BUYER
PHOTOJOURNALIST
MEDICAL ILLUSTRATOR
MASTER PRINTMAKER
INSTALLATION ARTIST
PORTRAIT ARTIST

Are you an artist?

If you answer YES to most of the following questions, you should seriously consider a career in ART.

- When it comes to making art, I am very motivated and I don't mind long hours of hard work.
- I am very visual and often perceive things that my classmates don't see.
- I like to look at as much art as possible.
- I collect images and objects that I can use to express my ideas.
- I don't want to "follow the crowd." It is more important to me to establish my own identity.
- I want to create things never seen before.
- Making art is the one thing that I am most passionate about.
- I am interested in many subjects and activities, but art is my favorite.
- I enjoy being creative and finding unusual solutions to visual problems.
- I am constantly experimenting with new ways to express myself.
- I'd like to change the way people perceive the world.

The definition of art is expanding. The boundaries among disciplines and mediums are dissolving. As an artist today, you'll have more choices for visual expression and a wider variety of venues for presenting your work than any previous generation of artists.

It's time to focus your goals. Prepare yourself and your portfolio. Talk to counselors, teachers, friends, and family members. Then make the choice that's right for you.

CAREERS IN COMMERCIAL ART

