ART CAREER SUMMARY

CAREER RESPONSIBILITIES

Artists create art to communicate ideas, thoughts, or feelings. They use a variety of methods; painting or sculpting, or illustration, and an assortment of materials, including oils, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, pencils, pen and ink, plaster, clay and computers. Artists’ works may be realistic, stylized, or abstract and may depict objects, people, nature, or events.

Skills Associated With Art Majors:

• Able to communicate ideas, thoughts, and feelings with a variety of materials and media
• Ability to develop a heightened sense of beauty, rhythm, and style
• Intuition and innovation in understanding and extracting ideas to generate visual concepts
• Become familiar with graphics and database systems
• Ability to teach, assess, plan and evaluate, organize and give attention to detail
• Ability to compete in a changing market that is exciting, glamorous, and highly competitive
• Mastery of artistic skills using computer based technology

Sample Career Titles

Advertising Artist
Advertising Designer
Aerial Photographer
Airbrush Artist
Animator
Antiques Dealer
Architectural Model Builder
Architectural Renderer
Archivist
Art Administrator
Art Appraiser
Art Conservator
Art Critic
Art Dealer
Art Director
Art Exhibition Coordinator
Art Graphic Assistant
Art Historian
Art Librarian
Art Manager
Art Sales
Art Teacher
Art Therapist
Artist
Artist Agent
Arts Council Director
Bookplate Artist
CAD Designer
Calligrapher
Caricaturist
Cartoonist
Catalog Illustrator
CD Cover Designer

Ceramic Artist
Collections Manager
Color Expert
Conservator
Corporate Art Consultant
Costume and Mask
Designer
Courtroom Sketcher
Curator
Decorator
Designer
Display Artist
Display Designer
Drafter
Exhibit Designer
Fashion Artist/Designer
Filmmaker
Freelance Letter/Designer
Furniture Designer
Gallery Owner
Gemologist
Glass Blower
Graphic Arts Technician
Graphic Designer
Greeting Card Artist
Illustrator
Impressionist
Interior Decorator
Jewelry Designer
Kitchenware Designer
Label Designer
Landscape Architect
Layout Artist
Magazine Cover Artist
Motion Picture Artist
Motion Picture Scenic Designer
Multi-Media Artist
Multi-Media Animator
Municipal Graphic Artist
Mural Artist
Museum Artist
Museum Educator
Newspaper Artist
Newspaper Illustrator
Newspaper Layout Designer
Photographer
Photojournalist
Printing Layout Artist
Printmaker
Product Designer
Public Relations Director
Restorer
Retail Fashion Sales
Scenic Artist
Sculpture Artist
Set Designer/Illustrator
Silhouette Artist
Silkscreen Artist
Sketch Artist
Stained Glass Artist
Still Photographer
Textile Designer
Video Producer
Web Page Designer

** Some careers may require additional training and/or education
To find out more about the daily work of these professions, skills needed, and salary ranges, go to Occupational Outlook Handbook and type a career title into the search field or meet with a Career Counselor to discuss these occupations and career opportunities.

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