

ART

GENERAL OBJECTIVES

The aim of the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) syllabus in Art is to prepare the candidates for the Board's examination. It is designed to test their achievement of the course objectives, which are to:

- 1. exhibit knowledge of the fundamental elements, principles and terminologies of art;
- 2. show knowledge of historical dimensions of art with emphasis on Nigerian arts and crafts;
- demonstrate knowledge of artistic techniques, processes, the use of materials and maintenance of tools and equipment;
- 4. display aesthetic awareness of the environment, meaning and functions of art in society.

DETAILED SYLLABUS

	TOPICS/CONTENTS/NOTES	OBJECTIVES
	SECTION A	
1.	CLASSIFICATION OF ART:	Candidates should be able to:
	 a. Visual Arts: (Fine and Applied Arts) b. Performing Arts: (Music, Dance and Drama) c. Literary Arts: (Poetry, Prose, Recital) etc. 	i. differentiate between the three branches of art;
2.	ELEMENTS AND PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN:	
	Elements: line, colour, shape, form, texture, tone, value, space etc. Principles: balance, rhythm, proportion, harmony, contrast, repetition, dominance, variety, etc.	ii. identify the elements of design; iii. analyse the principles of design;
3.	ART TERMS: Pigments, motif, greenware, armature, silhouette, chiaroscuro, cire-perdue, terracotta etc.	iv. identify art terms; v. link the terms to their areas of art; vi. use the terms in analyzing artworks.

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	SECTION B			
1.	HISTORICAL DIMENSIONS OF ART:	Candidates should be able to:		
	a. Prehistoric, Greek and Roman Art;	i. compare their materials, styles and techniques;		
	 Medieval Art: architecture, surface decorations and calligraphy; 	classify the periods and styles with emphasis on architecture, surface decoration and calligraphy;		
	c. Renaissance Art and Artists: Giotto Di Bondone, Michelangelo Buonarroti, Leonardo da Vinci and Raphael (Raffaello Santi); e.t.c.	iii. compare the artists, their works and styles;		
	d. 19 th and 20 th Century Art Movements; Impressionism, Realism, Futurism, Cubism, Bauhaus, Pop art, Abstract Expressionism and Fauvism.	iv. differentiate between the various art movements;		
		v. analyze their styles techniques, innovations and influences;		
2.	TRADITIONAL AFRICAN ART: Egypt, Ashanti, Dogon, Mossi, Fon, Senufo, Bambara, Mende, Kissi, Bamileke and Bakumba.	vi. categorize works in terms of style, materials and locations; vii. categorize works in terms of styles, materials and locations;		
3.	TRADITIONAL NIGERIAN ART: Nok, Igbo-Ukwu, Ife, Benin, Esie, Igala, Jukun, Akwanshi, and Mbari.	viii. analyze the works in terms of functions, characteristics and locations;		
4.	NIGERIAN CRAFTS: Pottery, woodworks, cloth-weaving, carving, leather works, metal works, beadworks, body decoration, mat and cane weaving.	ix. trace the origins, locations and styles;		
5.	DEVELOPMENT IN CONTEMPORARY NIGERIAN ARTS AND ARTISTS:			
	 Art Schools: Zaria, Nsukka, Osogbo group etc. 	x. determine the influence of the art schools and groups towards the development of art;		
	 Nigerian artists and art educators; Aina Onabolu, Ben Enwonwu, S. I. Wangboje, Jimoh Akolo, Dele Jegede etc. 	xi. assess the artists in terms of their works, specializations, techniques and styles;		

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	c. d.	Museums, galleries and art centres; Art institutions, cultural art centres, national art organizations – Nigerian Society for Education through Arts (NSEA), Society for Nigerian Artists (S.N.A), National Council for Arts and Culture (N.C.A.C), etc.	xiii.	analyze the functions of museums, galleries, art centres and art institutions; evaluate their impact on the development of art; assess their roles and functions;
	e.	Major Festivals: Argungu Fishing Festival, Eyo, Egungun, Iri-ji (New Yam), Durbar, Igue, Ekpo, Odo, etc.	xv.	examine the characteristics of major festivals of art and culture.
		SECTION C		
ARTISTIC SKILLS, TECHNIQUES AND PROCESSES		Can	didates should be conversant with:	
	a.	Two-Dimensional Art: drawing, painting, graphics and textile design.	i.	the techniques, skills and processes with emphasis on tone, composition and colour application;
	b.	Perspective: i. Linear, angular, aerial, parallel etc. ii. Perspective terms: foreground, picture plane, eye-level, vanishing	ii. iii.	the types of perspective; the use of perspective rules and terms;
		point, foreshortening, optical illusion, depth etc.	1V.	techniques, skills and processes;
	c.	Sculpture, Ceramics and Crafts,		
	d.	Computer Graphics: CorelDraw	v.	the basic tools of designs
2.	2. TOOLS, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT		Candidates should be able to:	
	a.	Two-Dimensional Art Tools: brushes, lino cutters, drawing instruments, calligraphic pens, sharpeners etc.	vi.	maintain art tools and art materials;
	b.	Two-dimensional Art Materials: pencils charcoal, pastel, crayon, fixative, fabric, dyes, lino, wood blocks etc.	vii.	use art materials and tools;
	c.	Two-Dimensional Art Equipment: air compressor, spray gun, enlarger, computer etc.	viii.	operate and maintain art equipment;

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	d.	Improvisation of tools, materials and equipment; i. Two-Dimensional Art: colours, brushes, calligraphic pens etc. ii. Three-Dimensional Art: spatula, kiln, beater, etc.	ix.	improvise alternative tools, materials and equipment;	
		SECTION D			
1.	ART APPRECIATION		Candidates should be able to:		
	a.	Man-made objects: architecture, sculpture etc.	i.	identify the aesthetic qualities of natural and man-made aesthetic phenomena in Nigerian environment;	
	b.	Natural phenomena: Zuma Rock, Ikogosi Warm Springs, etc.	ii.	differentiate between natural and man-made aesthetic phenomena;	
2.		EANING AND FUNCTIONS OF ART N SOCIETY			
	a.	Meaning of art;	iii.	examine the meaning and functions of art;	
	b.	Functions of art in the society: religious, social, cultural, political, therapeutic and economic needs.	iv.	use art to enhance societal values;	
	c.	Functions of art in electronic and print media: advertisement, education, recreation etc.	v.	assess the role of art in electronic and print media;	
3.	AI	RT ENTREPRENEURSHIP			
	C It	ob prospects in the Visual Arts: eramist, Curator, Textile designer, adustrial designer, Sculptor, hotographer, Cartoonist, Illustrator etc.	vi.	identify job opportunities in the Visual Arts.	

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