

Arts Review Assignment

800-1000 words

Genre Analysis Due: 03/25 by 11:59pm (10% of final grade)

First Draft Due: 03/30/2019 by 11:59pm

Final Draft Due: 04/06/2019 by 11:59pm

Write a short review of an “art project” of your choice. This can be anything that falls within the arts including visual art, film, literature, music and theater. While you are free to choose something that appeals to you, there are a number of important guidelines to note:

- 1) Ideally, your review should be of a recent art exhibition, theater performance, or book reading that you will attend.

- 2) You may also review “artistic works” which could include internet exhibitions, radio programs, musical projects, short stories or poetry. Please choose something that falls in the category of art rather than mainstream popular culture. If you are not sure whether your topic meets the requirements, please ask.

- 3) You should base your review on a careful and detailed observation and/or interaction with the artwork of your choice. You need to identify the name of the artist(s), where and when the exhibition took place, some general background about the artist(s), release and publication details (if applicable) and some details about how the exhibition or work of your choice relates to the artist’s overall career.

- 4) Your opinions, impressions and interpretations are relevant to the assignment. However, you need to support everything you write with details and explanations. Your opinions and reactions will form the basis for the review, but you will also relate the artist’s work to their body of work, and the genre within which they operate.

- 5) The best way to prepare for this assignment with respect to form and style is to have a look at art reviews published in local papers or art magazines. We will look at examples in class. Please feel free to share your own examples if you have any favorite reviews or reviewers.