Line Systems & Value Gradation Directional Dominance

Line Direction

- 1. Horizontal implies quiet and repose.
- 2. Vertical implies strength and stability
- 3. Diagonal implies motion and action

When used repetitively, lines create a directional flow, causing for the viewers eye to move around the picture plane.

Directional Dominance





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Directional Conflict Creates a Focal Point



Implied Line

The points in an implied line are automatically connected by the eye.





Line as Value

Lines packed together can create Visual Depth and the illusion of Volume through Value Gradation.

Value is the relative degree of light and dark in a design.

Line placement, proximity, and size create Value.



Shading - Techniques



Hatching is a series of straight or curved lines (called a set), drawn beside one another to give the illusion of a value.



Crosshatching is a shading technique in which one set of lines crosses over (overlaps) another set.



The act of Stippling involves covering an area with dots. It is a wildly timeconsuming technique, in which an image is drawn dot...by dot...by dot. Pointillism in art is based on this technique.

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Shading - Techniques





Scribbling has many different names and techniques such as Scumbling, Circling & Squirkling. Basically, this technique involves shading using random strokes or circlular strokes.

Blending, also known as Smooth Shading is where you use your finger or some smudge tool such as a piece of cloth or cotton swab and smear the shading for a more uniform shade. If controlled correctly this can give a smooth polished look.

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Line Systems

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cross hatching

stippling

Hatching Parallel Lines

Density



Frequency



Cross Hatching

Build up Tone in Layers of Parallel Lines





This is a re-creation of a piece by Paul Cadmus. It was done as a crosshatch study in pencil on a 18x24 pad.

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Stippling

Build up Tone in Areas of Dots of Different Density & Frequency





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http://illusion.scene360.com/art/77070/stippling-pointillism-art/

















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Student Examples

















