- 1. Introduction to Scenic Design (Discussion)
 - a. What is a scenic designer and what do they do for a production?
 - b. What is the process a designer usually uses when designing a show? (This is extensive and does not need to be all remembered)
 - i. Read the play
 - ii. Meet with director
 - iii. Sketches
 - iv. Research
 - v. Read the play again
 - vi. Sketches
 - vii. Read the play again
 - viii. Break down show needs for Scenic elements (set pieces, furniture, props/set dressing
 - ix. Rough draft full stage rendering (explain a rendering)
 - x. Basic ground plan
 - xi. Meet with the director and other designers
 - xii. Adjust the design to fit the space, budget, show needs, and other designers' visions
 - xiii. Build a white model (show production staff)
 - xiv. Make adjustments
 - xv. Build a color model (or color rendering)
 - xvi. Finalize show package (ground plan, model, color rendering, drafted elevations (a paper with measurements and details))
 - c. Find pictures of models online to show the class (or if models in the design lab grab those)
 - d. What kind of jobs can a scenic designer have
 - i. Theatre
 - ii. TV/Film
 - iii. Amusement parks
 - iv. Festivals/ conventions
 - v. Concerts
 - vi. Corporate events
 - vii. Etc.
- 2. Expression of mood/ atmosphere/ emotion as a designer without being able to use words (activity)
 - a. Josh's picture prompt game he taught at his workshop
 - i. Give the group a prompt that usually would be difficult to explain visually (examples: Romantic texture, freezing, flow, geometric Nature)
 - ii. Have students use technology to find pictures that could possibly fulfill the prompt
 - iii. Go around and have the class if their initial impression of the chosen photos. No explanations. Give their snap first impressions

- iv. It should be very literal and very hard! (If the prompt is freezing and someone did ice then they presented ice not freezing)
- v. Once the game comes to competition explain how it's the Scenic designer's job to try to convey these moods and atmospheres without being able to tell the audience and must do it through visual means
- 3. Visual aspects of design (lecture)
 - a. Line
 - b. Shape
 - c. Form
 - d. Space
 - e. Texture
 - f. Color
 - g. (Explain using this) (ignore value)

Elements of Design

These are the basic elements that are used by Artists in creating Art; they are what you use to create an aesthetically pleasing work. When we make Art, we need to understand and apply these seven Elements of Art.



- 4. Using elements of design to communicate mood or atmosphere (Activity)
 - a. Give students paper, pencils, and some kids of colored drawings thing.
 - b. Have them make 6 boxes on one side of the paper labeling each box one of the elements

- c. Give them a prompt and then have them only use that element to try and portray that feeling.
 - i. Examples (feel free to make up your own):
 - ii. Line (happy)
 - iii. Shape (warmth)
 - iv. Color (anxious)
 - v. Form (nobility)
 - vi. Texture (love)
 - vii. Space (crowded)
- d. After each one have them share with the class and use proper constructive criticism and/or compliments to if they were successful at portraying the prompt.
- 5. If more time is needed in class, give a final prompt, allowing them to use any and all aspects of design on the back of the paper and have the class then review again