

Art is An Ideal Ingredient For an Intelligence Program

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A Bit About Me

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- Art Teacher Elementary level
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This is not an Art History lecture

There will be no Quiz given on this information, so relax
and just listen to my assertions.

**Works of art are the most
significant contribution
to the study of intelligence of
mankind because.....,**

Pertinent information

**was gathered from the works
of art of early civilizations.
This practice continues
today.**

**We gathered data from the images
and artifacts;**

**gaining understanding of the
sensibilities of long lost
civilizations**

Examples of Data from Early Civilizations

Chemical Knowledge: minerals and fats to create assorted colors

- **El Castillo Cave Paintings (Red Disk) (39,000 BCE)**



Sophisticated Tools: Craved stone and incisions

- **La Ferrassie Cave Petroglyphs (60,000 BCE)**



Visual Communication of Beliefs

Reverence of Fertility

- Venus of Hohle Fels (38,000-33,000 BCE)



Animism

- Lion Man of the Hohlenstein Stadel (38,000 BC)



Artist and crafters provide

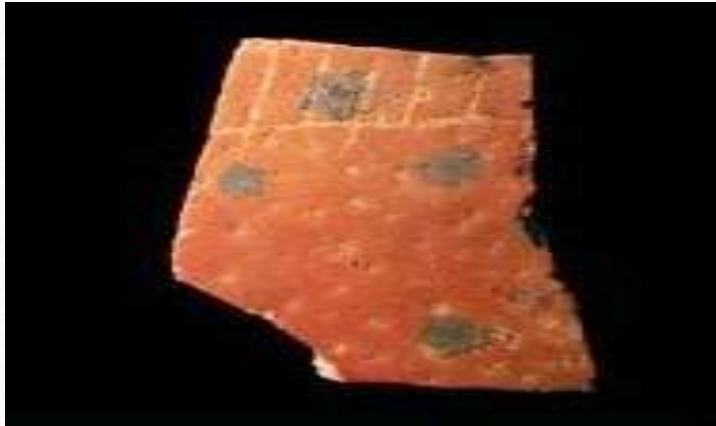
a gateway into the mind of
mankind.

**Art is vital to the study of
intelligence.**

Art Exhibits Cognitive Thinking

Useful Art Objects/Recycling

- Diepkloof Eggshell Engravings (60,000 BCE)



Proclamation Art

- Sulawesi Cave Art (37,900 BCE)



Artifacts from the earlier civilization exhibit astute rationale for their creations

Motivational Art



Iconography: symbolic images



Jan van Eyck. (1434) *The Arnolfini Portrait*

People Express Experiences Through Art

Daily Rituals



Limbourg Brothers. (1416) *February*,
Les Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry

Religious Beliefs



Giotto. (1297-99) *St. Francis Giving
His Mangle to a Poor Man and the
Heavenly City*

Culture Is Shared Through Art

Culbreth. (2016) *Mundane Rituals*



4. Art Shapes Identity

Culbreth. (2015) Urban Ethnos



Art Contributes to the Future of Intelligence

We need more information on everyday people, doing everyday things as data in the intelligence field.

Culbreth. (2015) *Ms. Emma*



Art is a Vehicle to Monitor Social Change



Theaster Gates. (2012) *Raising Goliath*



Rebuild Foundation. Chicago, IL

Art Disseminates Issues Pertinent to Societal Goals



Delacroix (1830) *Liberty Leading the People*



The True Stories Project: (2014)
Oakland, California and Kathmandu,
Nepal

Art Is An Ideal Ingredient to An Intelligence Program

- Enhances observation skills: keen sense of detail
- Encourages creative thinking and problem solving abilities
- Increases comprehension of visual communication
- Contributes to greater cultural understanding
- Aids spatial memory; recording information about ones environment
- These are just a few reasons