

# **Napa Valley School**

## **Curriculum for Art Classes**

### **Assignments and Overview**

It is important to practice the assigned exercises three times or more each week. Homework exercises will be assigned at each weekly class meeting.

Homework exercise practice sheets will be handed out at each class meeting. They will also be available for downloading off the web site at ([www.publishersdesign.com/drawing](http://www.publishersdesign.com/drawing)). If you want to do more practice during the week, download and print what you need at home. If you are going to miss the next class, let the instructor know so you can receive some direction.

It is imperative that the student focus intently on performing the exercises many times. Be patient, determined, and persistent. We are trying to develop a degree of sensitivity and patience in seeing and executing. This takes considerable practice and application.

The student is also being asked to memorize a vocabulary. This is necessary in order to see and interpret properly. Many words and phrases are used interchangeably, confusing the student and making it difficult to follow the lectures and instructions. Someone should test the student on these key words and concepts.

Students should label each homework sheet they complete (date and numbered attempt: "3/26/16-1", "3/29/16-2", and so on) so we can see and reflect on progress at the class critique. Bring all finished homework assigned from the previous class to the next class.

Please bring three (3) fully sharpened General #314 pencils to class, along with tote board and other supplies requested. Clip about 15 sheets of newsprint and 5 sheets of drawing paper to your tote board prior to coming to each class. Bring all drawing tools in your zip-lock pack to each class.