

Art Historical Methods Definitions

Match the definition below with the appropriate methodology. Write the definition on the corresponding flash card.

considers the life of the artist, and/ or significant events in their lives to interpret meaning

considers the socio-economic position of women represented, implied, making, or viewing the work, as well as issues of equality and power (or the lack thereof) to interpret meaning

considers the unconscious effects of traumatic events or experiences in the life of the artist or viewer, or shared by a society, to interpret meaning

identifies the symbols in a work, and uses their definition to interpret meaning

identifies symbols in a work, and considers why they mean what they mean to interpret meaning

considers the visual elements of a work such as line, composition, color, media to interpret meaning

considers economic factors related to Marx's theory of class and power to interpret meaning

considers significant historical events and important ideas of a period of time, usually when the artwork was made

considers how the work was made - the materials and processes used to create the work