



# *Curating*

Grades 4-12

Watch the Oregon Art Beat video with Curator Namita Gupta Wiggers, and answer the following questions.

What are some of the skills that you think a curator needs to have?

Can you see yourself doing this kind of a job? Why or why not?





## Curating Assignment

Your job is to curate a show based around a theme. Your exhibition should include 3 or more artists and 7-10 images which are representative of the artist's work or the theme of the show.

### The first slide in your exhibition should tell me:

- The title of the show
- Your name
- A 2-3 sentence statement about the show (what interested you about the artwork and what you'd like the viewer to know).
- The names of the artists included.
- The exhibition slides should show the artist's name and an image of the art piece that you chose.

Use the final slide to cite the sources for your exhibition.

### Possible themes for an exhibition:

#### Material or Technique

*Porcelain, slip, hand building*

#### Functional Object Type

*Plates, cups, bowls, pitchers*

#### Geography

*Minnesota, India, Egypt*

#### The Vessel

*Pots for observation rather than function*

#### Figurative Sculpture

*People or animals enacting human emotions*

#### Nature

*Organic sculpture, surface design that references forms in nature*

#### Technology

*Artists who embrace new media such as 3-D printing*

#### Surface Design

*Make it about decoration*

### Where to find artists/images for your exhibition:

#### Contemporary Artists Databases

- Art Axis <https://artaxis.org/imagery/>
- Access Ceramics <http://accessceramics.org/>

#### Commercial Galleries

- Red Lodge Clay Center <https://www.redlodgeclaycenter.com/>
- Clay Akar <https://www.clayakar.com/pages/creators>
- Northern Clay Center <https://store.northernclaycenter.org/>

#### Museum Collections

- The Everson Museum <https://collections.everson.org/index.php>
- Minneapolis Institute of Art <https://collections.artsimia.org/search/ceramics>
- Museum of Art and Design <https://madmuseum.org/>