THE SJSU PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

PHILOSOPHY OF ART

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL WITH MODERN ART? | CAN THE AUTHOR TELL US WE'RE WRONG ABOUT THEIR WORK? | IS IT WRONG TO LAUGH AT OFFENSIVE COMEDY? WHAT DOES ANY OF THIS HAVE TO DO WITH THE GENDER BINARY?

ART IS AMONG THE EARLIEST OF KNOWN HUMAN ARTIFACTS. FOR AS LONG AS WE HAVE ENGAGED IN PHILOSOPHICAL INQUIRY, WE HAVE BEEN THEORIZING ABOUT AESTHETIC MATTERS. THIS COURSE EXPLORES THE NATURE OF ART AND THE WAYS THAT MUSIC, FASHON, FILM, VIDEOGAMES, GRAFFITI, AND MORE ARE INTERTWINED WITH OUR SENSE OF IDENTITY AND COMMUNITY. THESE QUESTIONS ARE ADDRESSED THROUGH A NUMBER OF CRITICAL AND GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES.

JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE THE PHILOSOPHY OF ART!

PREREQUISITES: 3 UNITS OF PHILOSOPHY OR UPPER DIVISION STANDING

MONDAY 3:00 - 5:45 PM

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