Weaving





What is Weaving?

- Weaving is an ancient textile technique dating back 12,000 years ago.
- Many indigenous peoples around the world knee of this technique, and it allowed them to weave baskets.
- These baskets held important items like clothes, food, materials, etc.
- The basic technique has the creator fold material over-and-under each other.



Two members of the Cherokee Nation weaving a basket together.

Modern Weaving



opening tombs between the heart by Diedrick Brackens (2018)

- Modern weaving as art takes the form of woven tapestries.
- Diedrick Brackens is one such artist; he explores his identity as a queer, Black American through these tapestries.
- Textile work like this has historically been led by women, queer artists, and Black and brown individuals.



The bravest son by Diedrick Brackens (2018)

Modern Weaving and You

- Modern weaving can also be functional, with woven bags being an item that is constantly made.
- For this project, you will make a woven bag that holds a personal item.
- This woven bag must have a purposeful color palette that reflects your relationship to your chosen item.

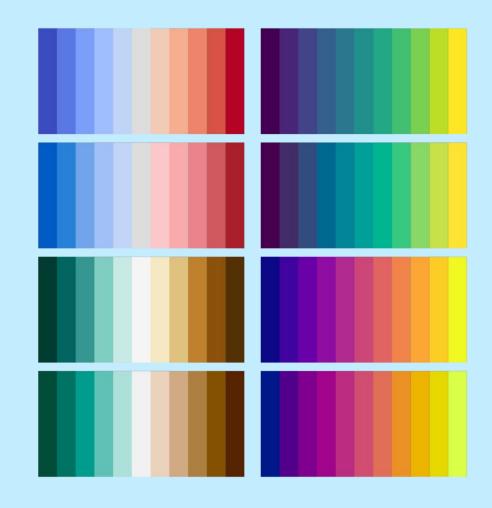


A small woven bag created by me.

The colors here were chosen to reflect the trans flag.

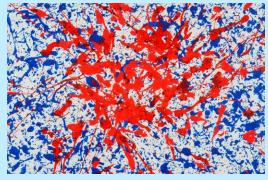
Color Palettes

- A color palette is the choice of colors used in various artistic and design contexts.
- Color palettes are used to create style and appeal.
- Having a strong color palette can help your work stand out and create interest, as well as compliment the subject matter of your work.



Iconic Color Combinations

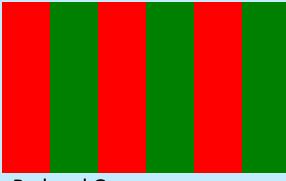
What sort of images come to mind when viewing some of these color combinations?



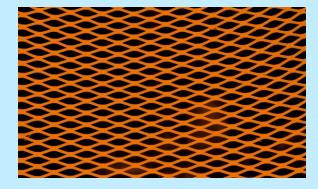
Red, White, and Blue



Red and Yellow



Red and Green



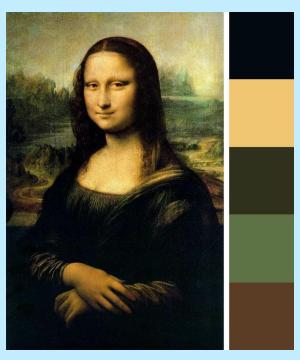
Black and Orange

Famous Color Palettes

Many famous paintings have limited color palettes, and yet still convey emotion and amplify the technical aspects of each work.



Great Wave Off Kanagawa (Kanagawa Oki Nama Ura) by Hokusai (1830-1831)



The Mona Lisa by Leonardo Davinci (1503)



Starry Night by Vincent Van Gogh (1889)

All color palettes from sierrakellermeyer.com. To learn more about these generated color palettes, visit the website to learn the significance of the colors in each piece.

Your Project

- Create a small woven bag that is at least 3 x 5 inches in dimensions.
- The color of the yarn should reflect your relationship to the small personal object you have chosen. This color palette must have at least 3 colors, and maximum of 6.
- Write an artist statement explaining your object and how it relates to the bag you have chosen. It must be concise and tell me your intentions throughout the project.