The Contemplative Artist

At the very heart of the word "contemplative" is the activity of observing, seeing. "Contemplative," originally a term of divination, meant an open space marked out for observation. "Contemplate" implies attentive and meditative observation. Through mindfulness meditation, studio assignments, and selected readings, students explore a cosmology of art; how art arises; how seeing occurs, literally and poetically; how people navigate and appreciate the world through sense perceptions and how perceptions are affected by culture; and how these two streams of the personal and the public join in an individual’s aesthetic sense and artistic statement. Cross-listed as ART500. Materials fee.

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