

Art 410 Computer Animation Assignment #7

In this next assignment students will again be using the NLVE technology of AdobePremiere. However, most of the focus of this project will be on Adobe After Effects. As the title suggests this is software that you might use after a video is shot and captured and you want to do some special effects, above and beyond what Premiere can produce. Students will use this program as well as other video and audio software to create a composite digital video. That is a video that has within it different videos playing simultaneously. You have seen many examples of this on T.V. and at the movies. The most obvious example is the opening title for the sitcom "The Brady Bunch". However, what you need to do with the software is more on a creative artistic level. "Create a composite digital video"? A composite is much like a collage, which is a still image with many different pasted-on elements that vary in content and image and color and sometimes media, but through their subjective, objective, thematic or conceptual relationship there is unification or cohesion. You can use any of the following themes in your composite video or video collage: choose one.

- Pop Culture/Pop Art
- The Self/the human form
- Nature/Organic
- Machine/Geometric

You must convey one of the above themes in a 640 X 480 video that is no less than 1 min in length and no longer than 3 mins. Due date will be give in class.

Suggested Readings Under the 'Help' menu in Photoshop:

Working with Color, Making Color and Tonal Adjustments, Selecting, Transforming and Retouching, Drawing, Painting, Using Channels, Using Layers, Applying Filters for Special Effects, Using Type, Saving and Exporting Images, Automating Tasks, Keyboard Shortcuts, Tutorials

Suggested Readings Under the 'Help' menu in After Effects:

Working with Projects, Windows, and Palettes; Preparing and Importing Footage; Building a Composition; Managing Layers; Animating Layers; Working with Masks and Transparency, Applying Effects, Rendering a Movie

Suggested Readings Under the 'Help' menu in Premiere:

Introduction, Working with Projects, Editing Video, Adding Transitions, Mixing Audio, Creating Titles, Producing Final Video.