INCREASING STUDENTS' CREATIVE ACTIVITY THROUGH INTERACTIVE METHODS IN VISUAL ARTS EDUCATION

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Abstract: This article explores the role of interactive methods in enhancing students' creative activity in visual arts education. Emphasis is placed on how interactive teaching strategies, including group discussions, collaborative projects, and hands-on exercises, stimulate students' imagination, independent thinking, and artistic skills. The study highlights the effectiveness of using both traditional and modern interactive approaches to improve engagement, foster creativity, and develop aesthetic perception. Practical examples of applying interactive methods in classroom settings are provided, demonstrating their impact on students' overall artistic competence.

Keywords: Interactive methods, creative activity, visual arts, artistic competence, aesthetic perception, collaborative learning, individual learning, hands-on exercises, educational innovation.

Developing students' creative activity is a central goal of visual arts education. Creativity enables students to generate original ideas, solve artistic problems independently, and express their thoughts through visual means. Interactive methods play a key role in promoting creative activity by engaging students in active learning, encouraging collaboration, and providing opportunities for experimentation.

Interactive teaching strategies include group discussions, project-based learning, peer review, and hands-on exercises. These approaches allow students to share ideas, evaluate different perspectives, and construct knowledge collectively. In addition, individual interactive tasks enable students to explore personal artistic solutions, enhancing self-expression and independent thinking. Integrating both group and individual interactive methods ensures comprehensive development of students' creativity, artistic competence, and aesthetic sensitivity.

Shovdirov S.A.'s research emphasizes that interactive methods in fine arts education foster not only practical skills but also cognitive and imaginative development. Through structured and engaging interactive activities, students can

develop a deeper understanding of design principles, visual composition, and ornamentation while enhancing their motivation and active participation in the learning process.

Interactive methods are essential in visual arts education to stimulate students' creativity and active participation. These methods engage students in meaningful learning experiences, encouraging experimentation, problem-solving, and imaginative thinking. Group activities, such as collaborative projects, enable students to work together to develop compositions, ornamental patterns, or thematic artworks. This collaboration helps students exchange ideas, negotiate design choices, and evaluate multiple solutions, thereby enhancing both social and artistic skills.

Individual interactive tasks allow students to explore personal approaches to artistic challenges, experiment with color, form, and composition, and create unique works of art. By combining group and individual activities, educators can balance cooperative learning with personal expression, fostering holistic development of creative abilities. Students gain confidence in their skills and learn to take ownership of their artistic decisions.

Hands-on exercises are particularly effective in interactive learning. Students actively engage in drawing, painting, and designing tasks, applying theoretical knowledge in practice. Interactive methods, such as guided experimentation or role-playing in art scenarios, enhance problem-solving abilities and allow students to analyze their own and others' work critically.

The use of digital tools and technology can further enhance interactive learning. Software for drawing, designing, and simulating ornamental patterns provides students with immediate feedback and allows exploration of complex compositions that might be difficult with traditional media. Online collaborative platforms facilitate teamwork even beyond the classroom, supporting both synchronous and asynchronous creative projects.

Research indicates that interactive methods increase students' motivation and engagement. When students participate actively, they are more likely to develop a personal connection to the material, think creatively, and produce innovative solutions. Peer discussions, critiques, and cooperative problem-solving encourage reflection, critical analysis, and deeper understanding of artistic concepts.

Shovdirov S.A. highlights that incorporating interactive methods in visual arts education not only improves students' practical skills but also strengthens cognitive processes, imaginative capacity, and artistic literacy. By applying these methods systematically, teachers can cultivate students' creativity, aesthetic perception, and capacity for independent artistic work.

Furthermore, differentiated interactive approaches consider the diverse abilities and interests of students. Teachers can tailor activities to individual learning styles, ensuring that each student can engage meaningfully and maximize their creative potential. Whether working on a collaborative mural or an individual ornament design, students develop both technical competence and personal artistic expression.

In summary, interactive methods provide a dynamic and engaging framework for fostering creativity in visual arts education. They combine collaborative and individual learning experiences, practical exercises, technological tools, and reflective practices to nurture students' artistic competence, imagination, and active participation. This pedagogical approach aligns with modern educational goals of developing creative, independent, and culturally aware learners.

Interactive methods are highly effective in enhancing students' creative activity in visual arts classes. Group work promotes collaboration, idea exchange, and social interaction, while individual tasks encourage self-expression, experimentation, and independent thinking. Hands-on exercises, project-based learning, and digital tools enrich the learning environment and increase engagement.

Shovdirov S.A. emphasizes that interactive pedagogical approaches in visual arts not only improve technical competence but also cultivate cognitive, imaginative, and aesthetic development. A balanced integration of group and individual interactive methods helps students build confidence, creativity, and artistic literacy. Implementing these methods systematically contributes to a holistic development of students' creative potential and prepares them for advanced artistic learning and practical application.

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