

Composition Techniques (...continue) 11th June 2005

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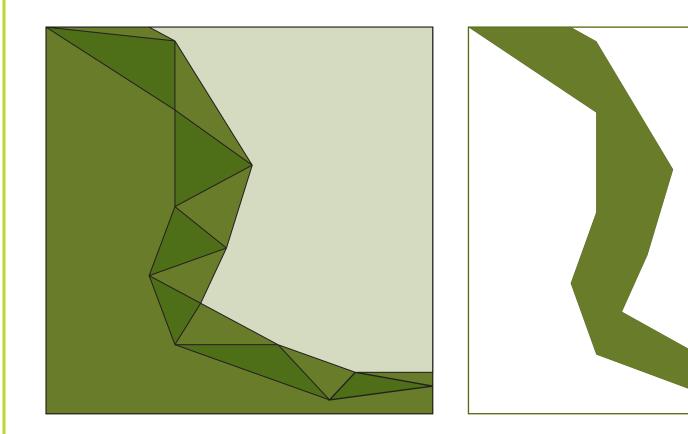
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Composition Techniques

Contrast/ Harmony Stability/ Instability Symmetry/ Asymmetry Regularity/ Irregularity Simplicity/ Complexity Unity/ Fragmentation Economy/ Luxury Understatement/Exaggeration Predictability/ Spontaneity Activeness/ Stasis Subtlety/ Boldness Neutrality/ Accent Transparency/ Opacity Consistency/ Variation Accuracy/ Distortion Flatness/ Depth Singularity/ Juxtaposition Sequentiality/Randomness Sharpness/ Diffusion Repetition/ Episodicity

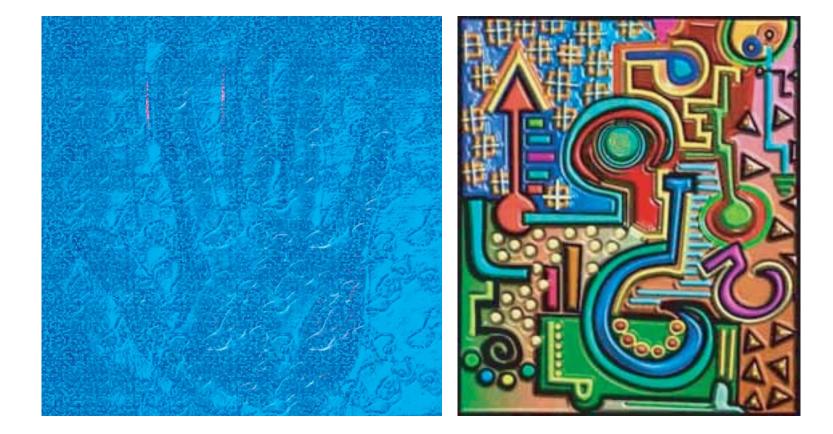
Subtlety/ Boldness

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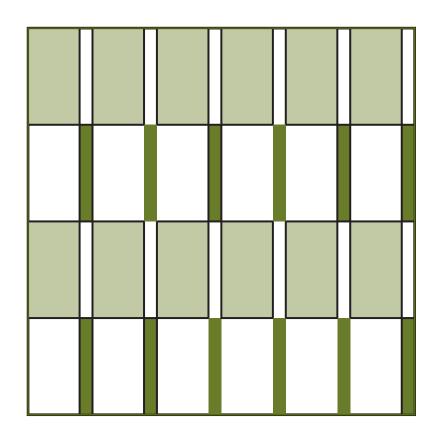
elusive, obscure, refined (conceptual edge, hidden structure)

confident, daring, adventurous (defined edge, element thickness/density)

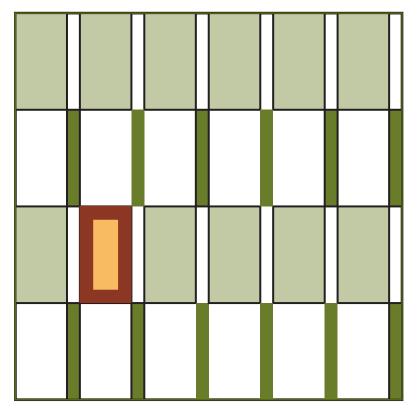


Neutrality/ Accent

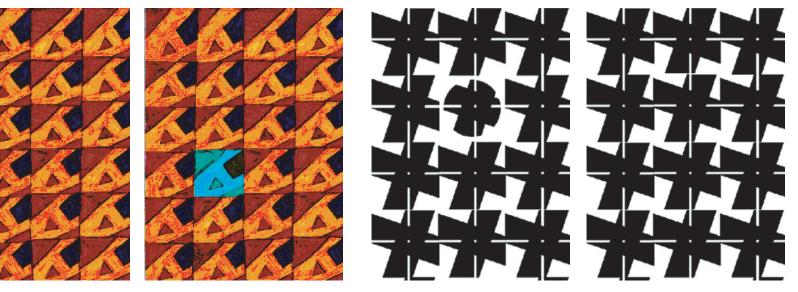
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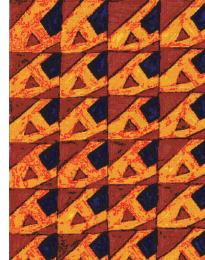


Neutrality: indifferent, common (harmony of visual/relative elements)

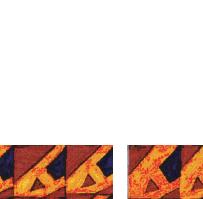


Accent: emphasis, mark, pronounced (focal point, contrast)



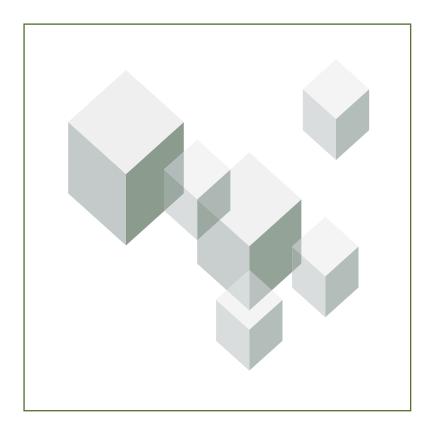


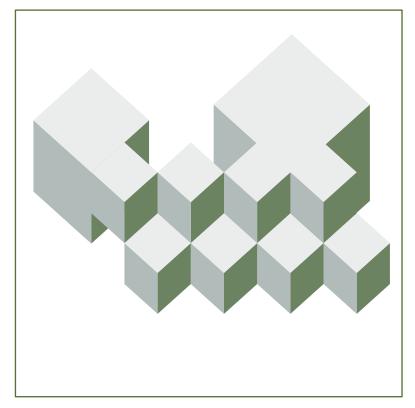
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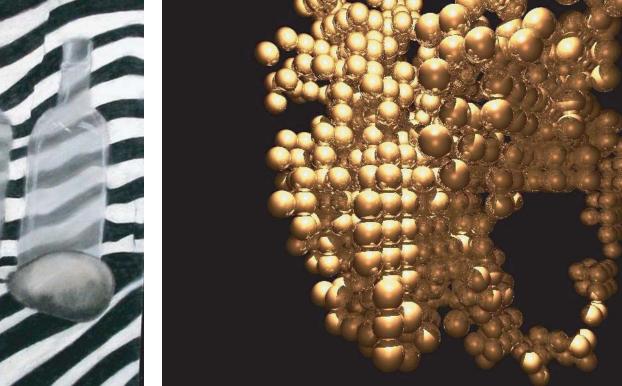
Transparency/ Opacity





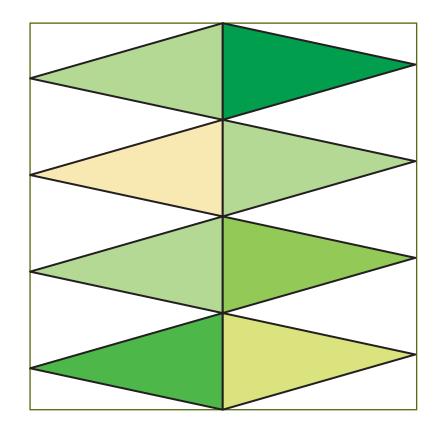
Transparency: see-through (conceptual elements, layering)

Opacity: obstructing, solid (foreground/background, overlapping)





Consistency/Variation





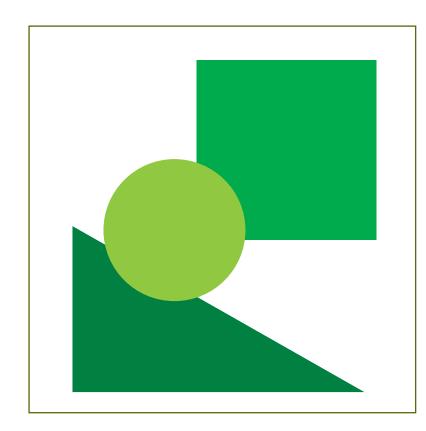
Consistency: continuity, steady (calm, harmonious)

Variation: assortment, different (maintain some structure, change property of every element)



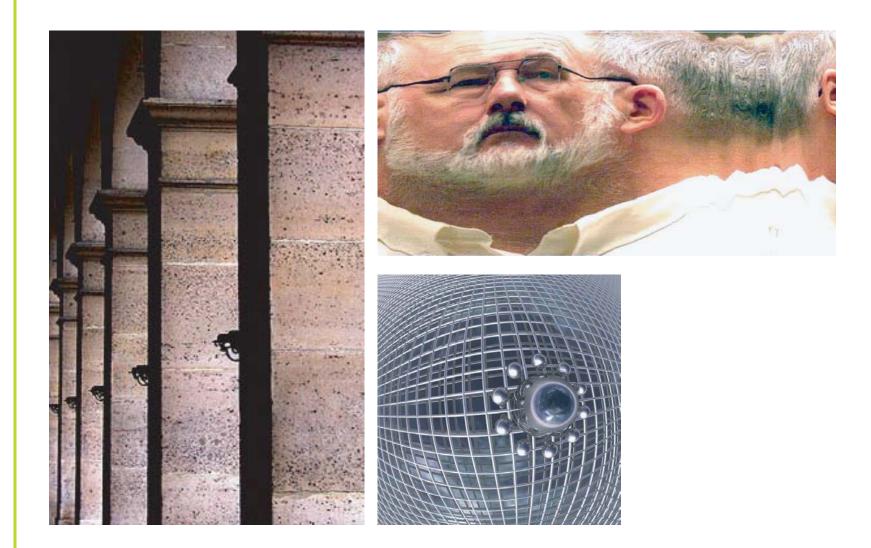
Accuracy/ Distortion

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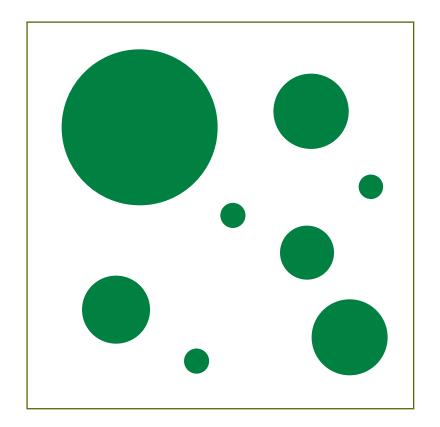
Accuracy: exact, correct, complete (natural/geometric shapes, logical structure)

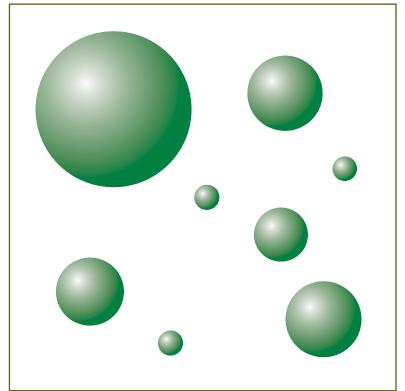
Distortion: twist, deform (deform elements in composition, leave trace of original shape)



Flatness/ Depth

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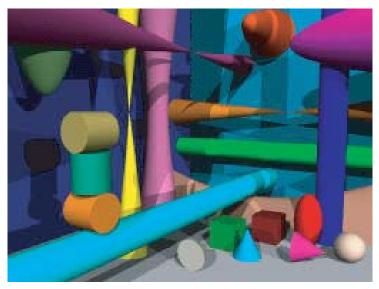




Flatness: level, surface, shallow (planar, layering)

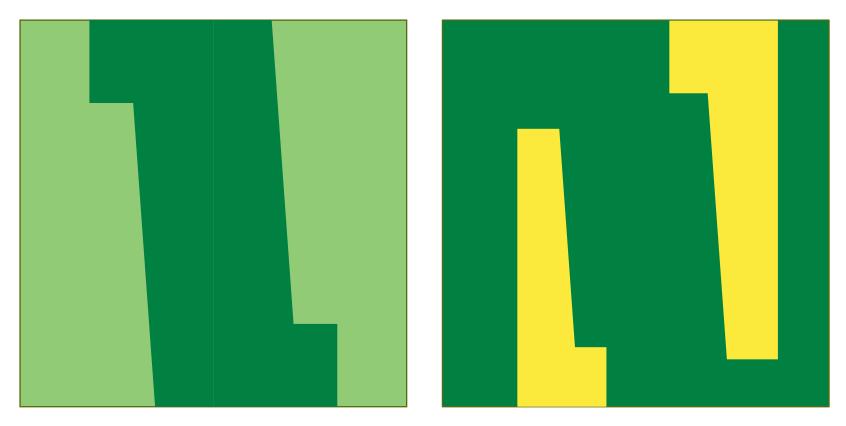
Depth: deep, volumetric, distance (shade/shadow, perspective)





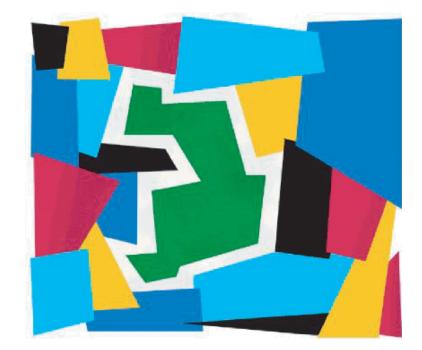
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Singularity/ Juxtaposition



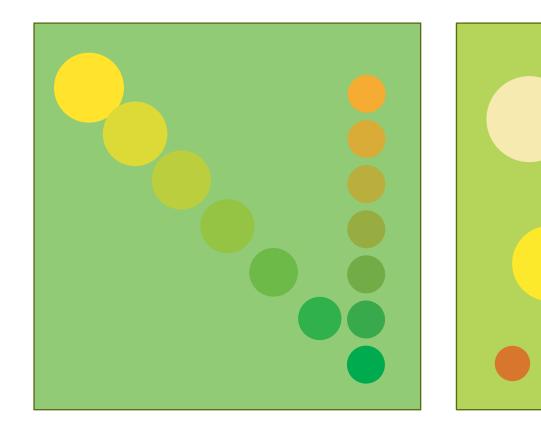
Singularity: one, whole, combined (single focal point, supporting background)

Juxtaposition: side by side, duality (dual focal points, competing sides)





Sequentiality/ Randomness



Sequentiality: serial, continuous (perspective, scaling, continuous path)

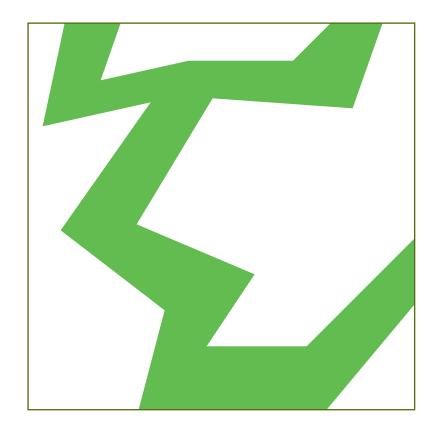
Randomness: unsystematic, haphazard (unrelated structure/positioning)

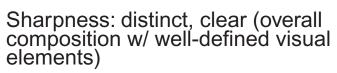


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Sharpness/ Diffusion



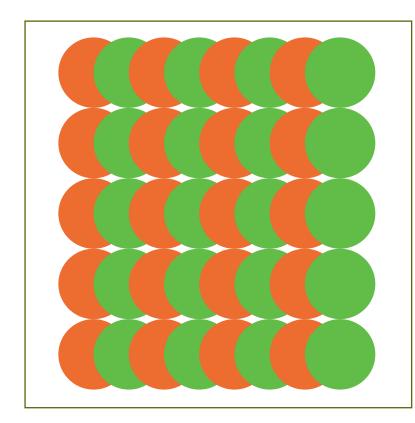


Diffusion: spread, scatter (blurry-edged conceptual elements)

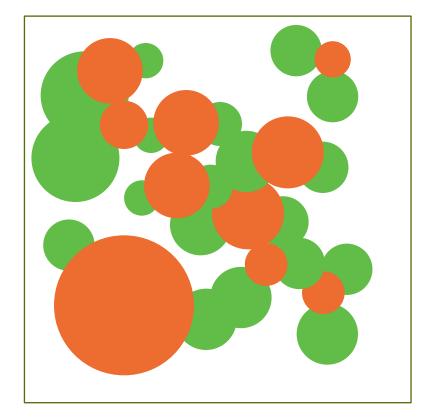


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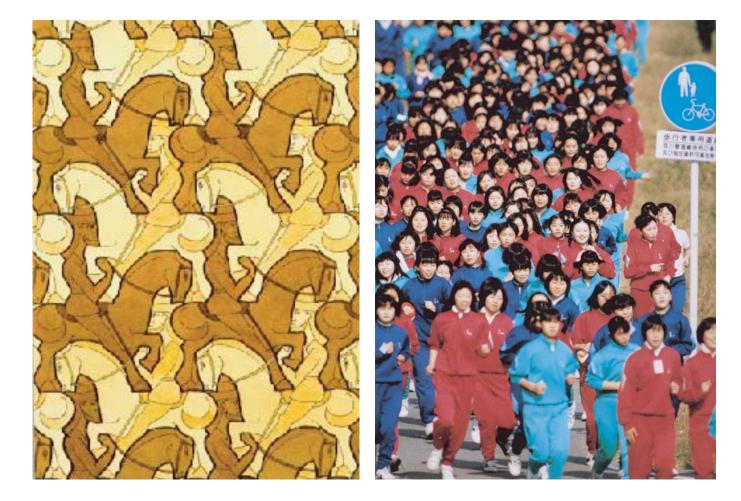
Repetition/ Episodicity



Repetition: duplication, reiteration (unified pattern)



Episodicity: periodic, intermittent, disruption (maintain some structure/element properties, group similar elements)



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