

**Painting, Advanced** (Nelson) (grades 9-12; prerequisite “Intro”)

*This course is designed for advanced students who have taken an introductory course in both drawing and in painting. Using the toolkit of technical skills acquired in the introductory, students are able to explore abstract ideas and modes of communication via paint. At the start of each project, the teacher presents a brief history of the topic and introduces artists who have explored similar themes, both formally (the way in which the work was completed) and conceptually (the ideas within the work). Students are required to conduct independent research with each topic in order to enrich their understanding as well as to add depth to the final painting. There will be equal emphasis on exploring the process of making work and on the finished product.*