

Designers make choices

five elements of design:

line
color mass
texture SCALE

set design process

select play

read play, analyse its needs for setting

1st sketches & research

2nd sketches (select & design)

final floor plan (1/4" = 1' or 1/2" = 1', drawn for the Atholton auditorium)

color model (1/2" = 1') or color rendering
(color, perspective, front view of set on stage in Atholton auditorium)

Design tips:

1/2" scale means that every 1/2 inch on the model would be 1 foot in actual size. For example, a couch 6 ft long would be represented by a couch (or block) 3" long. Pay attention to the relative sizes of furniture, doors, trees, etc. to doorways, buildings, etc.

It's ok to use cardboard, but your final product should have the colors you choose, not the colors the material happened to be.

Remember to angle walls, if you use them.

You don't have to be a good artist to get an A. The project is about planning, and the model is to help you communicate your plan, along with your explanation:

plan what you will say, and explain, if your hands had been able to make what you imagined for your set.

Make sure actors could walk around the furniture.

The best design serves the needs of the play to create an effect on the audience.

name _____

date _____ day/per. _____

Theatre Arts 1 Scenic Design Project

elements of design & dates

introduction to design process

the task:

to read a play script, analyze it for scenery requirements, and design a setting for at least one scene, using a model & its presentation to share that design with the class. Your model should be LABELLED with your name, the name of the play, the playwright's name, and the date of completion

select play _____ (title)

by _____

in (book title if different) _____

due date: _____ /5

read play, analyse its needs for set

(includes inside/outside, doors, windows, drawbridge, etc.)

worksheet

due date: _____ /30

presenting your design to the class

due date: _____ /30

(follow the outline)

color model (1/2" = 1') or color rendering (color, perspective, front view of set on stage in Atholton auditorium) _____ /40

comments: _____

this form in class for presentation _____ /5

total _____ /110