



VIRTUAL ART NEWS

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LET'S TALK ABOUT ART!

K-8 SCHOLARS BECOME ART CRITICS!

Our K-2 and 6-8 scholars worked as Art Critics this week while learning to analyze and make predictions about different artworks. Students participated in class discussions to identify important visual symbols using the Visual Thinking Strategies.

Visual Thinking Strategies engage children in critical thinking that has been proven to help them in other core subject areas.

[For more information on Visual Thinking Strategies, click here!](#)

FAMOUS ARTIST OF THE WEEK

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GOT TEA?

The art world is full of huge personalities, drama, and conspiracies. Let's spill the tea, shall we?

Back in 2017, scientists developed the World's "Blackest Black" and named it Vantablack. Vantablack absorbs 99.965 percent of visible light and literally traps it until it dissipates into heat. It looks like a black hole.

An artist named Anish Kapoor (known for *Cloudgate* in Chicago), bought the rights to the Vantablack and licensed it so that he was the only person in the world who was able to use it. This obviously did not sit well with the world's artists, but what could they do? Kapoor was protected through his license and Vantablack was out of their grasp.

Enter Stuart Semple, artist and art curator. Semple was not happy with Kapoor keeping Vantablack to himself, and decided to join other artists in a protest against Kapoor. Not only did Semple develop an even DARKER black (Black 2.0), but he also created "The Pinkest Pink" which he sells to anyone in the world who wants it - unless you're Anish Kapoor.

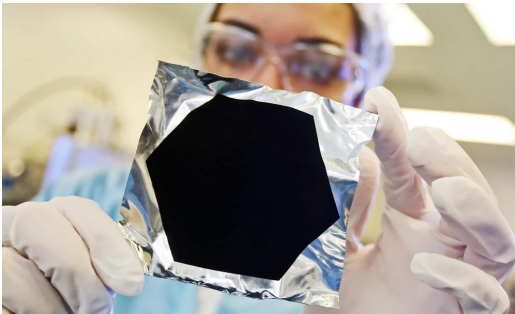
So at this point, Anish Kapoor is not happy with Semple keeping these new colors from him and decides that he's going to get these paints one way or another. Kapoor hires someone to place an order for the Pinkest Pink and give it to him. He posts on social media that he managed to get Semple's paint that he was banned from.

Is that the end of this tale? Oh no! Semple is MAD now. He then requires every person buying his paints to sign a waiver saying that they are not Anish Kapoor or affiliated with him in any way, and will not give the paints to Anish Kapoor or they will be sued. AND THEN Semple creates "The Glitteriest Glitter" and bans Anish Kapoor from this color as well.

Did the color keep-away between Semple and Kapoor stop there?
Nope.

Semple and Kapoor continue to go back and forth, including several lawsuits that have yet to make it to the courtroom. Will they ever learn that sharing is caring? The world has yet to find out.

And that's the tea.



Scientist holding Vantablack.



Anish Kapoor standing in front of his sculpture, *Cloudgate*, in Chicago, IL.



Stuart Semple holding Black 2.0.



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FEATURED GREAT OAKS ARTIST

DEMETRUS N.

Take a look at the work of this week's Featured Great Oaks Artist!

Demetrus was inspired by the popular game "Among Us" to create some character outfits of his own. He did an amazing job observing the characters in the game and envisioning them in a new way!

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