



Visual Art Virtual Learning

Art 1 - Pop Art

May 21, 2020

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LESSON: May 21, 2020

Objective/Learning Target: We will be learning more about Jasper Johns.



JASPER JOHNS

BIOGRAPHY

Jasper Johns is one of the most renowned living artists in the world. His work in painting, sculpture and printmaking has affected nearly every artistic movement since the 1950s to the present including Abstract Expressionism, Neo Dada, and the Pop Art movement. Johns was among the artists who laid the foundations of Pop Art movement to embrace the commodity culture. The main focus of his Pop Art works is signs, like flags, targets, and maps.

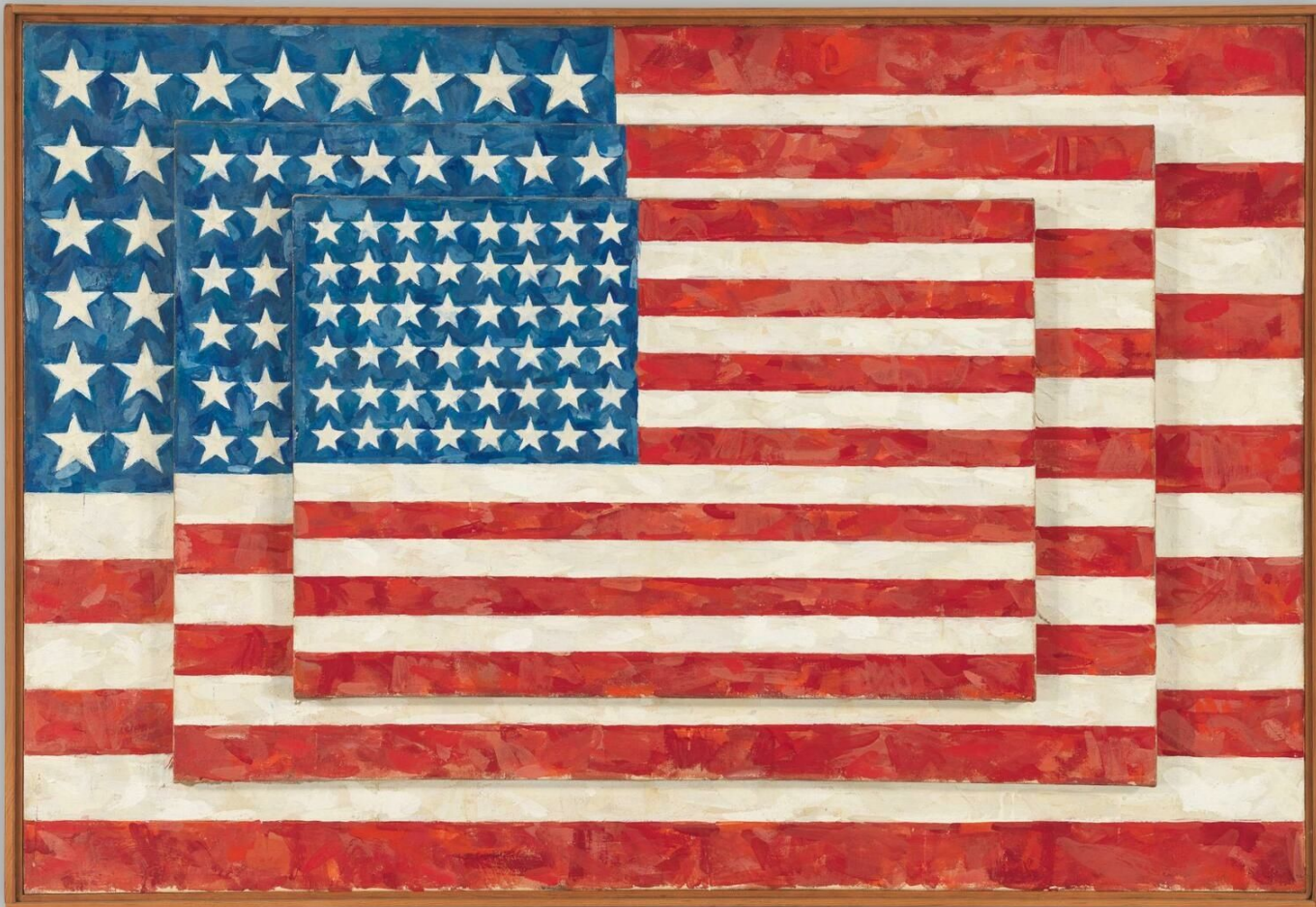


POP ART

In fact, his *best known work* is the painting *Flag*, which is *one of the most recognizable artworks of the Pop Art movement*. It is said that he created it after having a dream of the American flag. Jasper Johns has received many honors during his lifetime including the *Presidential Medal of Freedom* from *President Barack Obama* in 2011. His works constantly receive millions of dollars at sale and auction; and they have held the record for the *highest price paid for a work by a living artist multiple times*.

THE FLAG

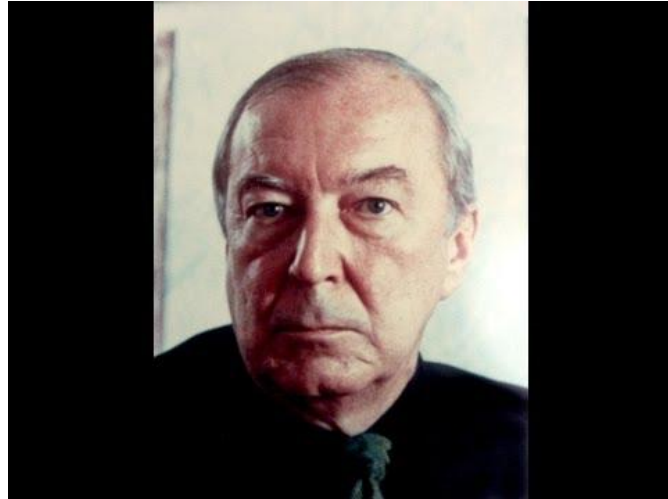




As Johns became well known—and perhaps as he realized his audience could be relied upon to study his new work—his subjects with a demonstrable prior existence expanded. In addition to popular icons, Johns chose images that he identified in interviews as things he had seen—for example, a pattern of flagstones he glimpsed on a wall while driving. Still later, the “things the mind already knows” became details from famous works of art.



***WATCH THIS VIDEO TO LEARN MORE ABOUT JASPER
JOHNS.***



***WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ABOUT JASPERS JOHNS
PAINTINGS?***

DO YOU LIKE THEM? WHY? WHY NOT?

***WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT A PAINTING OF THE FLAG COULD
BE SO POPULAR?***

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER BREAK!

PLEASE EMAIL ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

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