

INTRODUCTION TO KYOTOGRAPHIE 2021

PHOTOGRAPHY 4 KEY CONCEPTS

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COMPOSITION UNDERSTAND

Composition:

The arrangements of subjects or elements in a photograph. It is a way of guiding the viewer's eye towards the most important element of the image.

Cropping:

The photographer chooses what he wants to have in the frame of the image or not. How close or how far he wants to be from the subject matter.





COMPOSITION UNDERSTAND

Rule of thirds:

It is a guiding principle for composing a photograph using 4 lines and 4 intersections that guide the placement of the subject matter.

Lines :

The photographer can use the leading lines of the vanishing point to compose an image.

He can play also with the horizon line (straight or incline).













COMPOSITION OBSERVE AND ANALYSE

See how the main subject is placed on each images.



image?

Look at the composition:





- Are your eyes drawn to a particular section of the
- What is the main element of the image?
- How are the elements positioned in relation to each other?
- Why do you think each artist has chosen this composition?





Kai Fusayoshi, *Throwing umbrellas.* 1978 *KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020*







Kai Fusayoshi, *Throwing umbrellas.* 1978 *KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020* The triangle arrow made by the umbrellas and the boy create dynamism and movement.

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Ismo's Stick, Fosters Pond, 1993, picture by Arno Rafael Minkkinen KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016







Ismo's Stick, Fosters Pond, 1993, picture by Arno Rafael Minkkinen KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



The reflection creates several symmetrical lines in the picture.











2015 January 27th, from Aershan(Arxan) to Baicheng, Train No. 4346. Picture by Qian Haifeng, KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016







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The horizon line is inclined in the opposite way of the arms. It gives more movement to the scene.







© Pierre-Elie de Pibrac / Agence Vu' KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020





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The photographer uses the rule of thirds to compose this image, placing the vanishing point at the intersection of the lines.







Dad, 2016. © René Peña KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018





Dad, 2016. © René Peña KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018





The photographer gets very close to the subject to show only a detail. It is a close up. The ring looks like a mysterious eye.





Choose an object or a person as your subject.



Take 5 pictures placing the object or person in a different section of the image:

- try to incline the horizon line,
- go closer and select a detail.



Sit with 2 or 3 other people and share the photographs you have taken.





Discuss:

Which photograph is the strongest? Why?

PERSPECTIVE UNDERSTAND

field.

Angle : what is the photographer / viewer point-of-view in the photograph?





To suggest a three dimensional space in a photograph and create various perspectives, the photographer should decide on angle, focus & depth of

I PERSPECTIVE UNDERSTAND

Focus & depth of field :

The photographer chooses what should be in focus (clear) as well as the distance in front of and behind the subject matter which appears to be in focus. We call it depth of field (DOF).



Large Depth of Field





Shallow Depth of Field

2 PERSPECTIVE OBSERVE AND ANALYSE



Where is the viewer positioned to look into the image?



What is or not in focus in the photograph?



Why do you think each artist has chosen this point of view and this depth of field?









May 9th boulevard Saint Michel , Daniel Cohn-Bendit, Paris France © Claude Raimond-Dityvon KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018







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The Photographer crawled on the ground to take this picture.

It makes us look up at the protestors and creates a feeling of intimidation.







Francis Wolff, Drummer Art Blakey jamming at the Cork & Bib, Long Island, 1958 © Mosaic Images LLC. KYOTOGRAPHIE 2015







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The photographer is also positioned under the scene inviting us to look up at the musician but this time it is with a sense of admiration.





© Izumi Miyazaki







© Izumi Miyazaki KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018



The camera is positioned above, dominating the scene.







Ismaïl Bahri, Ligne, 2011, HD video, 16/9, 1 min loop *KYOTOGRAPHIE 2019*









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This picture is from a vidéo where a drop of water is placed on someone's skin and reacting to arterial pulsations.

This image is an exemple of a shallow DOF The camera is close to the subject, the background appears blurry and out of focus.









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All the plans are in focus in this photograph. We say there is a "large" or "deep" depth of field.







Choose a person or an object and photograph it from different point of view.



Imagine you are a bird looking down at the object.

- Imagine you are a worm looking at the object.
- Face your object at eye level.
- Take the object from a long distance
 - Take the object at a short distance





Sit with 2 or 3 other people and share the photographs you have taken.





Discuss:

Which do you think is the most interesting view ? Why?

How does the point of vue change the way we see and understand the object?

ELEMENTS OF ART UNDERSTAND



LIGHT

COLOR

and **unity** in their image.



Light, color, line, shape or texture are the 'ingredients' used by the photographer to create balance, contrast, movement, emphasis, rhythm

I ELEMENTS OF ART UNDERSTAND

Lighting plays a crucial role in photography. It can bring a photograph to life, it can generate effects, including spectacular shadows or silhouettes.

Lights have different **colors**, depending on time or sources.

Direct & diffused light:

Weather changes the brightness of the sun. Clouds make the shadows disappear.










Find the different lights sources in each photograph.



Are lights natural or not? What colors do they give to the image?



Lines and texture : How have the photographers used these elements to create a particular visual effect, feeling or mood?









Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016





Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga, KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



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In this photograph the light illuminates the subject from the back (backlighting). This creates a glowing effect on the edges of the subject, while other areas are darker.







Wing Shya, In the mood for love, 2000. *KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020*





Wing Shya, In the mood for love, 2000. KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020





The scene was taken during a movie. The photograph is illuminated with artificial lighting systems, urban lighting, sodium lamps. These lamps give the image an orange hue.







Zanele Muholi_Bester 1, Mayotte 2015 © Zanele Muholi KYOTOGRAPHIE 2017





Zanele Muholi_Bester 1, Mayotte 2015 © Zanele Muholi KYOTOGRAPHIE 2017





The photographer plays with colors (black and white) and textures (the skin, the fabric, the clothespins, the background) to create contrast.







Photography by TOILETPAPER: Maurizio Cattelan and Pierpaolo Ferrari. *KYOTOGRAPHIE* 2017





Photography by TOILETPAPER: Maurizio Cattelan and Pierpaolo Ferrari. KYOTOGRAPHIE 2017





This is a studio composition with artificial lights (from blue to pink). The artist uses contrast (between textures, colors, subject matters) to create a fun feeling.







ANTARCTICA. 2017. NASA Ice Bridge flight surveying climate change in Antarctica. Aerials taken from a NASA P3 plane flying over South Peninsula KYOTOGRAPHIE 2019





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The photographer focus on the texture of the landscape. There is no context to this image, just shapes and lines created by the ice melting.





ELEMENTS OF ART

Hiding in the vineyards with the Ruinart Cellar Master, Liu Bolinfor Ruinart, 2017 © Liu Bolin KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018







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The photographer, Liu Bolin, is the man on the right. He plays with natural color and texture and uses them in his make up to hide in his photographs.





Take 4 photographs, each focused on a different element :





ELEMENTS OF ART EVALUATE



Sit with 2 or 3 other people and share the photographs you have taken.





- Isolate the elements of art highlighted in each photograph.
- Choose 3 photographs that are the most successful and discuss the characteristics that make them the strongest.

SUBJECT MATTER UNDERSTAND

The subject is the main element that occupies the image. It appears first in the image. Note: there can be more than one in a single image.

The Theme is the general idea that one wishes to address and convey

of view of the photographer.

of the spectator.



- to the spectator. It is possible to approach a theme through different subjects.
- One subject can express different ideas. The theme depends on the point

The caption is an element that can guide the eye and help the comprehension



Take the time to observe the main elements evident in the following photos.



What is the main subject that the artist has chosen to portray?

How does the subject convey the theme?

Read the captions. What happens if you change them?







Série Primates, 2015 La Vallée des Singes, Romagne, France © Isabel Muñoz KYOTOGRAPHIE 2017

Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016







"Falling Leaves" 2017 © Akihito Yoshida



In the three photos, the artist photographs two hands holding each other to convey love and intimacy.



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The framing gives a sense of intimacy and connection. Observe the way the gaze wanders between the hands and face of the baby chimpanzee.





Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016





Observe how the close-up highlights these two hands. The intimacy of this close-up suggests a fragility created by the difference in size between the two hands.





"Falling Leaves" 2017 © Akihito Yoshida





Observe how the image is constructed: the shot is wider, taken from the back of the characters. It gives the impression of seeing the hidden link between these two people and shows the complicity and benevolence that unites them.







Bento is ready © Atsushi Fukushima KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020

Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



Rice, © 2016 Izumi Miyazaki KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018





In the three following photographs, the artist is depicting rice but with totally different meanings.



Bento is ready © Atsushi Fukushima KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020

Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



Rice, © 2016 Izumi Miyazaki KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018







Bento is ready © Atsushi Fukushima KYOTOGRAPHIE 2020



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Observe the composition of this image of a meal tray, made of geometric repetition, and color. These repeating shapes give a sense of uniformity.







Tryadhvan © Eriko Koga KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



Observe how the composition and light enhance the food in this photograph.

The rice is part of a set on a lacquered tray, giving it a ceremonial aspect. The sunlight overexposes the tray and sublimates the scene.







Rice, © 2016 Izumi Miyazaki KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018 This is a digitally edited photograph. The artist uses rice as a pattern, which reinforces the aesthetic of her self-portrait.

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May 23, place Saint-Michtel, Paris, France © Claude Raimond-Dityvon KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018





Demonstration in front of the New Haven County Courthouse during Bobby Seale, Ericka Huggins trial, May 1st 1970 © Stephen Shames / Steven Kasher Gallery. **KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018**



Sanrizuka, Narita airport protest movement © Kikujiro Fukushima KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016





In the three photos, the artist photographs protest movements. You can note a similar approach to each photo.



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The activist's brightly patterned and colourful clothing contrasts and suggests an opposition to the helmeted and austere black-uniformed group of police officers.





Demonstration in front of the New Haven County Courthouse during Bobby Seale, Ericka Huggins trial, May 1st 1970 © Stephen Shames / Steven Kasher Gallery. KYOTOGRAPHIE 2018





Here, two young African-Americans are sitting on the statue of an old white man. The photographer uses the artistic means of the black and white technique to highlight the opposition and conflict of two generations and worlds.





Sanrizuka, Narita airport protest movement © Kikujiro Fukushima KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016





A group of activists with improvised weapons are standing in line. This posture demonstrates both a sense of protection and attack. They counter-attack a threat which

would be outside of the frame.







Drowning world © Gidéon Mendel KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



From the 247th to 341st Day, Tohoku © Tadashi Ono. KYOTOGRAPHIE 2013



Aerials from a NASA P3 plane flying over Seelye Loop South in Antarctica. Antarctica. 2017. © Paolo Pellegrin | Magnum Photo KYOTOGRAPHIE 2019



In these three images, the artist photographed the power of the water.



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The couple is holding each other by their waists. The water that reaches their hips and rushes into the threshold of the building suggests a flood. This couple seem powerless against the force of the rising water but they remain united despite the ordeal.





From the 247th to 341st Day, Tohoku © Tadashi Ono. KYOTOGRAPHIE 2013



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The photographer puts in relation the strength of the elements and the work of mankind.

Here the bridge did not resist the onslaught of the waves and seems to have collapsed.





Aerials from a NASA P3 plane flying over Seelye Loop South in Antarctica. Antarctica. 2017. © Paolo Pellegrin | Magnum Photo **KYOTOGRAPHIE 2019**





In this photograph the caption is important.

There are no clues about the presence of man, and according to the caption, this photograph was taken from space. Thanks to technology, it has been possible to witness this area preserved from human activity.









Arrival to Kakuma.Kakuma. KENYA. 2002. © Alex Majoli KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016



Arab refugees cross into Jordan during the Six Day War. JORDAN. 1967 © Robert Capa



Civilians returning home. Pont L'Abbé. France. June 15th, 194 © Robert Capa KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016





In the three photos, the artist photographs people in exile. What is common to these images?



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A group of families is moving away from the vehicles to go outside the frame of the image, which gives a feeling of wandering. They are holding lots of bags.





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In this photograph we find the bundles, symbols of an exodus.

The broken windows and the damage on the walls suggest a difficult, even hostile environment. The bundles indicate a precarious departure, an exodus.





Civilians returning home. Pont L'Abbé. France. June 15th, 194 © Robert Capa KYOTOGRAPHIE 2016





The photographer approaches the subject of exile, making the link between the destruction of the city and the displacement of the population.





Choose a theme. (school, peace, growth, friendship, etc.).



Select 2 **subjects** that will convey this concept and take different pictures.

Write a **caption** for each image.

A SUBJECT MATTER EVALUATE



Sit down with 2 or 3 other people and share the pictures you've taken.





- Examine each subject of the photographs: which theme/concept was explored?
- Was the theme/subject clearly communicated? Why?
- Does the text in the caption help to understand the meaning of the photograph?

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