

If art is about self-expression, and everyone has different personal preferences, how can we possibly critique art?

We can start by figuring out why it was made.

4 Theories of Art

❖ Realism

- Art that mimics its subject with great accuracy.
- It needs to be lifelike to be successful.

❖ Functionalism

- Art that fulfills a practical purpose.
- It must be useful to be successful.

❖ Formalism

- Art that focuses on the Elements of Art & Principles of Design.

❖ Emotionalism

- Art that expresses an emotion, feeling, mood, or idea.