Images from Lecture Four on Conics, Tilings, Polyhedra, Hyperbolic Geometry, Topology

Math in Art, Summer 2015

## Info for Scavenger Hunt

# Meeting at Plug In Institute of Contemporary Art at 6:00 p.m. 460 Portage Avenue

**Course Summary** 

Scavenger Hunt

You will wander around downtown and the Exchange district finding examples of Math in Art in the real world (for example: golden rectangles, symmetries, frieze patterns, perspective, conics, polyhedra)

To prepare, take time next week to familiarize yourself with the central concepts of the course. Think about where you might find them in the real world: buildings, signs etc.

Be sure to bring a camera or phone that can take photos – Be sure it is well-charged before coming to class! As long as the photos are clear, the quality is not so important.

You can also bring your textbook and notes to help you during the hunt if you like.

Ending at Ace Art Inc. at 8:00 p.m. 290 McDermot Avenue

#### **Conics**

Durer's Notes on Conics: circle, ellipse, parabola, hyperbola

Kepler's Notes on Conics

Antoni Gaudi, Sagrada Familia, Barcelona

Antoni Gaudi, Casa Mila

Antoni Gaudi, Casa Bastilla

L'Oceanographic, Valencia, Spain, Felix Candela

Oscar Niemeyer, Cathedral of Brasilia

Gary Petersen, Squeeze, 2009

Emma Kunz, String Art

Gabriel Dawe, Plexus Series, String Art Installation

**Richard Serra Installations** 

#### **Tilings**

Hearst Tower, Manhattan, Norman Foster, 2006

Joana Vasconcelos, Lirio 2009

Japanese Square Watermelons

Obayashi House in Tokyo by Architect Tadao Ando and artist Olafur Eliasson

Barry McGee, Advanced Mature Work, 2007, installation view

Islamic Tiling, Marrakesh, Morocco

Illustration that Escher used in his lectures to explain the theory of regular division of the plane: *Parallelogram, rectangle, square, triangle, rhombus, hexagon* 

Escher, Day and Night, 1938

Buckminster Fuller, Montreal Geodesic Dome for Expo 1967

### Platonic Solids

Euclid's Elements

13 Archimedean Solids

Roman Dodecahedra

Kepler's Platonic Solids

De Divina Proportione and the Platonic Solids

Escher, Stars, 1948

Escher, Double Planetoid, 1949

Natalie Clark, Octahedrons

Ai Weiwei, Divina Proportione, 2010

Richard Sweeney, Icosahedron II, 2006, Paper and Adhesive

Richard Sweeney, Tetrahedron, Paper and Adhesive, 2006.

Richard Sweeney, Dodecahedron II, 2006, paper and adhesive

Suzie Smith, Paper Chain, 2010-2011, folded and cut paper

Suzie Smith, Folded Hands, 2010-2011, folded and cut paper

Susy Oliveira, Polyhedric Photography

Erwin Wurm, Untitled, 2008

Atomium, Andre Waterkeyn, 1958

Casa da Musica, Porto, Portugal, Rem Koolhaas, 2005

Seattle Central Library, Rem Koolhaas, 2004

China Central Television Headquarters, Beijing, Rem Koolhaas, 2012

Chris Bosse, Digital Origami, 2007, origami installation

Chris Bosse, Watercube Beijing, 2003

#### **Euclidean Geometry**

The Fifth Postulate: Lobachevsky, Gauss & Bolyai

Poincare Model

M. C. Escher, Circle Limit III, 1960

M. C. Escher, Circle Limit IV, 1960

Thomas Burke, Shining Pretty Hard, 2011, Acrylic on canvas

Thomas Burke, Jam, 2011, Acrylic on canvas

Daina Taimina, Hyperbolic Crochet

### Topology

Escher's Mobius Strip II, 1963

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eb-Fi8GI6PE

Klein Bottle

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8rifKlq5hc

Projective Plane

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nrc7kcpO3y0

Brent Collins, Two-Sided Surface with Cruciform Pattern, 1991, wood

Pedro Reyes, Capula Klein Bottle, 2007

Mobius Strip, Astana Library, BIG Architects

UNStudio, Mobius House, Netherlands

## **Additional Resources**

Harry Abrams' World of M. C. Escher

Linda Henderson's The Fourth Dimension and New-Euclidean Geometry in Art