

Theatre

Art

Architecture

Greece became known for its art forms worldwide

TYPES OF ART

Pottery ~ for everyday use, but included beautiful designs

Architecture ~ private houses were usually simple structures made of mud and brick. Public buildings, especially temples were made of stone, wood and adorned with columns, statues and decorations.

Sculpture ~ Statues were used to decorate homes and temples, to honor famous people or gods and goddesses.

Metalworkers ~ bronze, iron, gold and silver were used to make weapons, jewelry, vases, mirrors, and other household items.

TYPES OF ART

Music & Poetry ~ music was very important in daily life. It was taught in school, at social events, songs were sung for all aspects of life, it accompanied poetry, religious festivals and theatre performances.

Musical Instruments ~ lyre, kithara, cymbals, harp, pan pipes, timpanon or double pipes.

Theatre ~ Drama or Tragedy performances took place in an outdoor theatre with 1-3 male actors.

Murals ~ painted scenes of daily life, none have survived.

THEATRE

Drama ~ story told by actors who pretend to be characters in the story. Actors speak, show emotion and imitate actions of characters.

Tragedy ~ a person struggles to overcome difficulties but fails. The story has an unhappy ending.

Comedy ~ the story ends happily. Today we think a comedy is filled with humor, originally it meant a story with a happy ending.

Stories ~ Greek stories dealt with things like: What is the nature of good and evil? What rights should people have? What role do gods play in our lives?

GOING TO THE THEATRE

Outdoor theatre

Seats were in a semicircle

Stage was in the center

This design allows the actors
voice to travel to the top seat



MASKS AT THEATRE

Because there were no microphones actors used masks to project their voices to the very top row. They also showed dramatic emotion so all of the audience could see. Masks also allowed the 1-3 actors to portray females or multiple characters.



ARCHITECTURE

Architecture is the art of designing and building a structure

The most important structure was the temple

Each temple had a center room for a statue of the patron god or goddess

There were 3 types of columns to support the temples

- Doric ~ most popular on mainland Greece, simple, sturdy
- Ionic ~ popular on the islands, thinner columns
- Corinthian ~ very elaborate, became popular in Rome and USA

ARCHITECTURE ~ PARTHENON

- Most famous of all temples, built in honor of Athena
- Sits on top of the Acropolis (high city), a rocky hill
- Each column is widest at the base so from a distance it looks straight
- Columns lean slightly inward
- Columns are made of rings of marble and attached together by cypress wood
- Statue of Athena ~ made of gold and ivory, over 40 feet tall, she holds Nike, the goddess of victory.
- There is a replica of the Parthenon in Nashville, Tennessee

VASES

- Art was to show beauty, ideals, reason, moderation, balance & harmony
- Focused on daily life
- Showed the human body in perfect form
- Made of natural clay
- Types
 - Black Figure ~ red pots decorated with black figures
 - Red Figure ~ black pots with red figures

VASES ~ BLACK FIGURE

- Black Figure ~ red pots decorated with black figures
- Paint was made from clay, water and wood ash, when fired it turned black



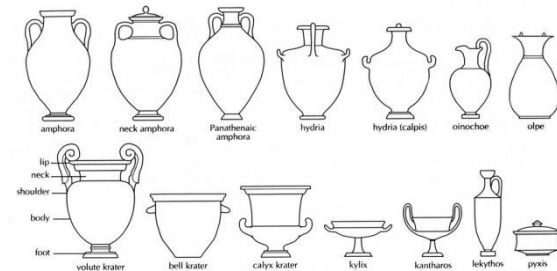
VASES ~ RED FIGURE

- Red Figure ~ black pots with red figures
- No paint
- Would carve into the black surface so the red would show through



VASES ~ SHAPES & SIZES

- Pottery came in all shapes and sizes depending on its use.



CHOOSE YOUR ACTIVITY

Activity 1 ~ Create a mask

- Use any material of your choice
- Can be 3-D or drawn, up to you
- Needs to show emotion



CHOOSE YOUR ACTIVITY

Activity 2 ~ Find a Column

- Use the worksheet in google classroom "Parts of Greek Temple"
- Scavenger hunt in search of Greek columns
 - Virtual or in person
 - Check out buildings in DC or Portland
- Identify the type of column
- Create a Doc with pictures & labels
- <https://www.dkfindout.com/us/history/ancient-greece/athens/>



Doric



Ionic



Corinthian

CHOOSE YOUR ACTIVITY

Activity 3 ~ Create a Vase

1. Choose black figure or red
2. Choose shape & size
3. Must show daily life in Greece
4. Include repeating geometric shapes at neck and base
5. Black figure you can draw on red paper with sharpie
6. Red figure you will need to cut out shapes from red paper and glue to black paper.
7. Materials Needed ~ scissors, sharpie, red & black construction paper