

# Visual & Performing Arts Standards

## UNIT ALIGNMENT

**Note:** The NAEP assessment is built around an organizing framework, which is the blueprint that guides the development of assessment instruments and determines the content to be assessed by the National Assessment Governing Board. The [NAEP arts framework](#), was developed by the [National Assessment Governing Board](#). It serves as the blueprint for the assessment, describing the specific knowledge and skills that should be assessed in the arts disciplines. The **three strands of the NAEP arts framework** (*Creating, Performing & Responding to Works of Art*) distill arts literacy to its *essence*. These same three strands predominate in many state core curriculum content standards (including New Jersey's). **This unit structure below reflects this connection.**

