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I noticed a lot of discussion in our lack of comments thread on the subject of whether works done in digital 3d are considered art. I found the mini controversy interest and would like to see more thoughts on the subject. I don't think it is necessary to restrict the question to 3d alone, as I have no doubt that manipulating is also under something of a stigma as well.

To begin the discussion I thought I would let Merriam and Webster weigh in.

Quote:

Main Entry:

Pronunciation:

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Function:

noun

Etymology:

Middle English, from Anglo-French, from Latin art-, ars ? more at arm

Date:

13th century

1: skill acquired by experience, study, or observation <the art of making friends>

2 a: a branch of learning: (1): one of the humanities (2)plural : liberal arts barchaic : learning, scholarship

3: an occupation requiring knowledge or skill <the art of organ building>

4 a: the conscious use of skill and creative imagination especially in the production of aesthetic objects; also : works so produced b (1): fine arts (2): one of the fine arts (3): a graphic art5 aarchaic : a skillful plan b: the quality or state of being artful6: decorative or illustrative elements in printed matter

synonyms: art, skill, cunning, artifice, craft mean the faculty of executing well what one has devised. art implies a personal, unanalyzable creative power <the art of choosing the right word>. skill stresses technical knowledge and proficiency <the skill of a glassblower>. cunning suggests ingenuity and subtlety in devising, inventing, or executing <a mystery plotted with great cunning>. artifice suggests technical skill especially in imitating things in nature <believed realism in film could be achieved only by artifice>. craft may imply expertness in workmanship <the craft of a master goldsmith>.