

Artistic and aesthetic senior preschool age child development: Organizational and management block

Desarrollo educativo artístico y estético edad preescolar superior: Bloque organizativo y de gestión

Tetiana Zhytnik

zhitnik.zp.network@gmail.com

<https://orcid.org/0000-0003-2250-7251>

PhD in Pedagogical Sciences, Staff Member, Department of Preschool Education and Social Work, Bogdan Khmelnytsky Melitopol State Pedagogical University, Melitopol, Ukraine

Valentyna Liapunova

lapunova.001@gmail.com

<https://orcid.org/0000-0002-5658-8128>

DSc. in Pedagogical Sciences, Professor, Department of Preschool Education and Social Work, Bogdan Khmelnytsky Melitopol State Pedagogical University, Melitopol, Ukraine

Hanna Varina

varina_hanna@mdpu.org.ua

<https://orcid.org/0000-0002-0087-4264>

Master of Psychology, Senior Lecturer, Department of Psychology, Bogdan Khmelnytsky Melitopol State Pedagogical University, Melitopol, Zaporizhia region, Ukraine

Liliia Kobylnik

liliyamix.914@gmail.com

<https://orcid.org/0000-0003-4353-4769>

PhD in Psychology, Docent, Department of Psychology, Bogdan Khmelnytsky Melitopol State Pedagogical University, Melitopol, Ukraine

Recibido: 30/05/22

Aceptado: 29/08/22

Abstract

The timeliness of the problem is caused by the contradiction between need for artistic and aesthetic development of the child, who has a desire to learn, be creatively realized and insufficient organizational and methodological support in art schools. The purpose of research work is determining the stages of artistic and aesthetic development of older preschool children in primary art school. The research methodology consisted of the research works by Greene S., Hill M., Green B., Hall E., Turner C., Zyazyun I., Zlatyeva A., Otich O., Padalka H., Rudnytska O., McLeod N., Wright D., McCall K., Fujii M., Muzyka O., Lopatiuk Y., Belinska T., Belozerskaya A., Shvets I., Legkostup P., Kopylkovska I., Tikhomirova T. Results. The following actions are necessary for the successful implementation of the basic provisions of the modern art school: content and methodological blocks substantiation; logical and consistent definition and implementation of artistic and aesthetic development of senior

preschool age child complex stages; providing organizational and managerial, control and evaluation units.

Keywords: education, art pedagogy, preschool pedagogy, primary art education, artistic and aesthetic development.

Resumen

La actualidad del problema es causada por la contradicción entre la necesidad de desarrollo artístico y estético del niño, que tiene el deseo de aprender, realizarse creativamente y el apoyo organizativo y metodológico insuficiente en las escuelas de arte. El propósito del trabajo de investigación es determinar las etapas del desarrollo artístico y estético de los niños preescolares mayores en la escuela primaria de arte. La metodología de investigación consistió en los trabajos de investigación de Greene S., Hill M., Green B., Hall E., Turner C., Zyazyun I., Zlatyeva A., Otich O., Padalka H., Rudnytska O., McLeod N., Wright D., McCall K., Fujii M., Muzyka O., Lopatiuk Y., Belinska T., Belozerskaya A., Shvets I., Legkostup P., Kopylkovska I., Tikhomirova T. Resultados. Las siguientes acciones son necesarias para la implementación exitosa de las disposiciones básicas de la escuela de arte moderno: sustanciación de contenido y bloques metodológicos; definición e implementación lógica y consistente del desarrollo artístico y estético de las etapas complejas del niño en edad preescolar superior; proporcionando unidades organizativas y de gestión, control y evaluación.

Palabras clave: educación, pedagogía del arte, pedagogía preescolar, educación artística primaria, desarrollo artístico y estético.

1. Introduction

Art, as a component of culture, influences the consciousness of the people and enriches the society spirituality. Its nature is a creative activity, which embodies the human desire to change the world for the better. Therefore, one of the most important tasks of modern art education is to improve the methods of aesthetic education. Primary art education, according to the Concept of Modern Art Education, is aimed at gaining aesthetic experience and value orientations in the artistic activity process, professional competencies of the primary level in the chosen art form, artistic and creative self-realization. The main general artistic competencies are to determine the knowledge and ability to analyze and evaluate: “key achievements of national and world art, artistic traditions of their people, etc., understanding of cultural diversity, creativity, initiative, ability to recognize aesthetic categories and apply it in evaluating works of art, cultural and artistic events , environment, the ability to express their thoughts, think figuratively, be creative in performing tasks, collaborate with other people” (Order of the Ministry of Culture of Ukraine № 1433, 2017).

2. Formulation of the problem

The urgency of the research problem is due to the existing *contradictions* between: objective demands of society for intellectually educated, creative, aesthetically developed personality, purposeful development of which can optimize the formation of culture in society, and lack of theoretical understanding of this social problem; significant educational potential of art in terms aesthetic and artistic development of the individual and insufficient organizational, methodological, organizational and managerial support of the educational process in art education for children of this age.

Thus, the urgency of the problem and the need to eliminate these contradictions determined *the purpose of research work* – characterize the organizational and managerial unit content; to determine the stages of older preschool children's artistic and aesthetic development by means of fine arts in the conditions of primary art school.

The research methodology consisted of the research works by Greene S., Hill M., Green B., Hall E., Turner C., Zyazyun I. (aesthetic education as an important component of personal culture); Zlatyeva A., Otich O., Padalka H., Rudnytska O. (research on art pedagogy); McLeod N., Wright D., McCall K., Fujii M., Muzyka O., Lopatiuk Y., Belinska T., Belozerskaya A., Shvets I. (children's aesthetic education by means of fine arts); Legkostup P., Kopylkovska I., Tikhomirova T. (artistic and aesthetic development of senior preschoolers by means of fine arts in primary art education).

3. Results of the research

Substantiation and further study of the problem makes it possible to determine the effective stages of older preschoolers' artistic and aesthetic development by means of fine arts. In particular, it is important to solve this problem in older preschool children in the educational process of art schools. Substantiation of older preschoolers' artistic and aesthetic development stages by means of fine arts during art education includes logical sequence, systematic, interconnection and complementarity. In our opinion, the main stages are the following:

- I. ***Emotional and motivating stage***: awakening the ability to enjoy art, interest in works of art.

The purpose of this stage is: to ensure interest and interest in art in general, the development of value orientations for aesthetic needs; motivation to communicate and learn about art.

The tasks are: the formation of older preschool children's interest in art, including art, art of music, dance and theater; formation of the inner emotional need to communicate with art by involving the child in the study of art objects.

Partial resolution of contradictions: taking into account the psychophysiological characteristics of the older preschool age child, his interests in creative activities, preferences, needs; taking into account its new formation and the game nature of the activity will contribute to the effective conditions creation for the realization of this stage purpose (Hall & Turner, 2021).

Stimulating interest in art involves the use of various educational incentives. Among them are the following: teacher's interactive action and pedagogical skills, teacher's artistic and pedagogical support, regulation of motivational and volitional efforts of the child. Teacher's artistic and psychological support of the involves consciously ensuring the nature of educational interaction with children, which relieves psychological stress and creates a positive atmosphere. Regulation of motivational and volitional efforts, as a method, includes tasks – the implementation of artistic, educational and creative tasks, ensuring the learning regularity, demonstration of artistic achievements. The methods are aimed at creating and maintaining a child's sense of enthusiasm and interest in the process of artistic activity, the mobilization of its energy resources for learning and creative activities.

- II. ***Enriching and aesthetic stage:*** the development of art perception in the process of isolating aesthetically significant, artistically expressive.

The purpose of the stage is: enrichment of aesthetic experience. It is important to note that this stage is focused on providing knowledge about art, but the acquired knowledge acts as a condition for sensory, spiritual connection with the values of art culture and art.

The objectives are: mastering basic knowledge of art history, basic concepts of art history, the concept of artistic image, types and genres in art, as a basis for enriching aesthetic experience; mastering information about works of art of different styles and its authors in order to enrich the aesthetic experience and increase the child's interest in the ability to enjoy art, including art.

Partial resolution of contradictions: taking into account the cognitive and speech characteristics of older preschool children, its own active vocabulary will help create a dialogue between teacher and child; the effectiveness of the process depends on the provision of conditions, in particular, on the creation of information and aesthetic space and information and aesthetic fund, the differentiation of tasks, methods and techniques of influencing the child. We consider the constant self-improvement of art education specialists and their scientific and pedagogical support to be important for the successful implementation of the enrichment and aesthetic stage.

We consider the information and aesthetic fund as several key components: aesthetic space (art school, museum, art space), aesthetic orientation of the process of acquainting children with works of art (approaches, principles, aspects; pedagogical conditions), systematically built information material, synthesis of arts as an auxiliary source for child's aesthetic enrichment (methods, techniques, form of work).

Systematically structured material can be obtained by teacher, referring to a typical curriculum. The current program defines the “purpose, objectives and principles of teaching, due to the discipline peculiarities, forms and means of current and final control, recommendations for their implementation, criteria for assessing the achievement level, features of the program material study and more. Normative content and normative learning outcomes are distributed with a logical sequence of presentation and determination of the approximate distribution of hours on the material” (Kopylkowska, Tikhomirova, Zhytnik (Ed.) 2020).

The program “*promotes the formation of new knowledge about art, recognition of highly artistic examples of folk art, expression and justification of their own attitude to works of art, understanding the manifestations of cultural diversity. The normative content of the discipline is focused on the activation of children’s mental and speech activity, preparation for mastering the theory and history of art at the basic level, development of worldview orientation through acquaintance with works of art and participation in art projects; takes into account the current needs of the individual in artistic and creative activity, is based on a comprehensive, consistent and targeted impact on the formation of aesthetic consciousness*” (Kopylkowska, Tikhomirova, Zhytnik (Ed.), 2020).

The form of classes is a group lesson – dialogue, when the teacher encourages children to focus on their own feelings, express personal impressions, provide comments and explanations, analyze, discuss proposed topics, draw independent conclusions, form a personal attitude to art as a special human activity, distinguish basic structural elements of art (artistic image, form, content, theme, idea, etc.). During an active conversation, the skills of independent thinking, the ability to dialogue, the ability to lead a discussion, awareness and understanding that everyone’s opinion is important are formed. Work forms: meetings with artists, visits to museums and exhibitions, cultural and artistic events and presentations, open classes, workshops, concerts and festivals; participation in theatrical performances, online exhibitions, etc. Control forms: active dialogue, discussion, quiz, art laboratory (with an emphasis on a particular art form), quest, art detective, online chat / forum (exchange of ideas and impressions) or other forms and combinations thereof” (Kopylkowska, Tikhomirova, Zhytnik, (Ed.), 2020).

The program is the basis for developing a teacher’s own curriculum, where “the teacher detailizing, specifies and adapts the normative content of discipline provided by the standard curriculum, according to local conditions and needs of the child, determines organizational forms and types of classes, art and pedagogical technologies and teaching methods, the necessary methodological support, forms and means of quality control of knowledge, taking into account the individual approach. Also, the teacher can implement their own teaching algorithm by redistributing the normative content of teaching and changing the sequence of teaching material, clarifying additional volumes of educational material and learning outcomes beyond those defined by the standard curriculum” (Kopylkowska, Tikhomirova, Zhytnik (Ed.) 2020).

- III. **Value-intellectual stage:** admiring works of art, reflection in the process of including of older preschool age child in the perception of art works, understanding the artistic value of the work.

The purpose is: the ability to analyze, interpret, creatively explain their preferences, taking into account the psycho-physiological and speech characteristics of age.

The objectives of the stage are: improving knowledge of art history and continuing to enrich aesthetic experience; understanding the artistic values of the work, in particular through acquaintance and inclusion, immersion of the child in the admiration process, consideration of art works, reflection; the ability to have their own point of view, aesthetic tastes and ideals and to defend their aesthetic preferences, using vocabulary, according to their age and psychophysical development, understanding the sense of beauty; development of emotional intelligence, associative and artistic thinking, artistic and creative activity, imagination, fantasy; formation of emotional and evaluative attitude to art works, phenomena, actions and activities in general (Padalka, 2008; Ponimanska, 2004).

Partial solution of contradictions: the ability to associatively and artistically think, analyze, describe, defend their own opinion about art works is possible with the use of art synthesis; successful completion of the value-intellectual stage is possible with the educational and informational support of competencies of older preschool children on children's parents.

Methods of work (open trainings and exhibitions, online presentations and open educational areas, etc.) should guide parents to the fact that family education should pay attention to acquainting children with different arts, gaining their own aesthetic experience, forming a positive and emotional attitude to art as an integral part of the existence of the individual and society; acquaintance with folk art works (watching cartoons, videos of aesthetic orientation, attending cultural events, etc.) (Zyazyun, 2006; McLeod, Wright, McCall & Fujii, 2017).

- IV. **Creative and aesthetic stage:** creative and aesthetic decisions, aesthetic actions, actions, behavior, activity.

The purpose of the stage is: child's artistic and aesthetic development, system-complex formations of personality, which are related, on the one hand, the internal sensory-spiritual component of personality (needs, attitudes, assessments), and on the other, subjectively perceived meaning and the significance of a art work that has a strong influence on the consciousness of the recipient's personality, regardless of temporal and cultural boundaries. "Aesthoecology can be described as an 'onto-epistemology' which fuses a theory of being with a theory of knowledge and deals with the affective, connected and temporal aspects of education. Where the aesthetic aspect of aesthoecology – appearance and feelings/ sensation – concerns the affective domain, the ecological aspect – spaces, places and relationships – concerns connectedness. In our title,

'foundations' refers both to the foundations of aesthoecology and the foundations of art and design education" (Hall & Turner 2021, 761).

The task of the stage is to improve the enrichment of aesthetic experience, which is, on the one hand, a condition for improving the sensory-spiritual component of personality, and on the other hand, acts as a need for constant replenishment of aesthetic experience after "aesthetically good" deeds, actions and activities.

Partial solution of contradictions: intellectually-educated, creative, aesthetically-developed personality, purposeful development of which is able to optimize the culture formation in society can be brought up with a conscious purposeful influence on this process.

4. Discussion

In order to successfully implement the basic modern art school principals, all interest groups should unite their efforts to create the necessary tools and mechanisms to ensure its activities, in particular, substantive, methodological, organizational and managerial and control and evaluation blocks (content, approaches, principles), aspects, stages, pedagogical conditions, forms, methods of work, criteria, indicators and levels). In the process of implementing the stages of older preschool children's artistic and aesthetic development during primary art education, it is important to consider the following (Zlatyeva, 2019).

First, the differentiation of program topics should be based on the principles of system, continuity, innovation and integration, which allows to adapt their own pedagogical experience, apply methods and forms of work that meet the specifics of the region and art education.

Secondly, the study of the peculiarities of Ukrainian folk art should permeate the curriculum, authenticity should be considered in a single context with the varieties and types of art. "The desire to cover the directions of world art civilization without a strong reliance on the national artistic basis involves the superficiality danger in perception and creation of artistic images, mosaics, lack of breadth of life, impoverishment of artistic expression. It is known from the history of art development that, whatever artistic methods or stylistic directions the artist followed, the strength of its talent, the depth of world artistic knowledge directly and depend on the national roots of artistic talent and creative abilities" (Otich, 2011).

Third, educational and demonstration material shouldn't be differentiated by time (ancient, classical, modern art) and type of culture. Examples of demonstration material the teacher must determine independently, taking into account the objectivity of the artistic value of the art work. A clear definition stages of artistic and aesthetic older preschoolers'

development by means of fine arts and their justification will allow the accumulation of ideas in terms of educational reform and decentralization.

5. Conclusions

The problem of artistic and aesthetic development of children in primary art education is not limited to this research work. In addition to the analysis of the implementation stages in art education of the methodological and managerial unit, we consider promising the research work, analysis and justification of the content, control and evaluation units. The following issues need further study: criteria, indicators and levels of older preschool children's artistic and aesthetic development in primary art education, methods of their diagnosis. of foreign experience issues in innovative methods of working with children of this age on artistic, aesthetic development and aesthetic culture formation remain relevant.

6. Bibliographic references

- Greene, S., & Hill, M. (2005). Researching children's experience: methods and methodological issues. In: S. Greene & D. Hogan [Eds] *Researching children's experience: Approaches and methods*. London: SAGE, 2–21. URL: <https://childethics.com/library/books-and-book-sections/researching-childrens-experience-methods-and-methodological-issues-2/>
- Green, B. (2021). Revisiting the Conceptual Domain: Educational Knowledge and the Visual Arts. *International Journal of Art & Design Education (IJADE)*, 40(2), 436–448. URL: https://www.researchgate.net/publication/351429257_Revisiting_the_Conceptual_Domain_Educational_Knowledge_and_the_Visual_Arts
- Hall E., & Turner C. (2021). Aesthoecology and Its Implications for Art and Design Education: Examining the Foundations. *International Journal of Art & Design Education (IJADE)*, 40(4), 761–772. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jade.12387>
- Kopylkowska I, Tikhomirova T., & Zhytnik T. (Ed.). 2020. Typical curriculum for the discipline "Conversations about art" elementary level of primary art education. Kyiv, 75 p. URL: <https://acortar.link/OHMQXc> (appeal date: 19.10.2021)
- McLeod N., Wright D., McCall K., & Fujii M. (2017). Visual rhythms: Facilitating young children's creative engagement at Tate Liverpool. *European Early Childhood Education Research Journal*, 25(6), 930–944.
- Muzyka O., Lopatiuk Y., Belinska T., Belozerskaya A., & Shvets I. (2021). Modern aesthetic education and its further directions. *Linguistics and Culture Review*, 5(S4), 12–21. URL: <https://lingcure.org/index.php/journal/article/view/1537>
- Order of the Ministry of Culture of Ukraine № 1433. The Modern Art School concept. 20.12.2017. URL: http://mincult.kmu.gov.ua/control/uk/publish/article?art_id=245318404&cat_id=244931905
- Otich, O. (2011). Development of creative individuality of students of professional pedagogical educational institutions by means of art. Chernivtsi: Zelena Bukovyna. (In Ukrainian)

- Padalka, H. (2008). Art pedagogy: theory and methods of teaching art disciplines. Kyiv: Osvita Ukrainy.
- Ponimanska, T. (2004). Preschool pedagogy. Kyiv: Academvidav [Akademvydav]. URL: <https://academia-pc.com.ua/product/347>
- Rudnytska, O. (2001). Worldview function of art. Art and education, 3, 10–13.
- Zlatyeva, A. (2019). Reflection of the level of social adaptation in the drawings of children aged 6-7 years. Pedagogika – Pedagogy, 91 (5), 687–695.
- Zyazyun, I. (2006). Aesthetic principles of personality development. Art in personality development. Chernivtsi: Green Bukovyna.