

Module 6: "Piet Mondrian: 'Neo-plastic Art'"

Lecture 18: "Minimalist Design in Architecture"

The Lecture Contains:



Minimalist Design in Architecture, Kitchen, Furniture, Interior Design, Bathroom Design, Office Stationary, etc.

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Any form of art (including Industrial Design) has to have a very strong sense of composition. The strength of all classical art forms including architecture is based on 'ratios and proportions'. Every composition is based on the fundamentals of Design Elements and Principles. Hence, composition has remained the center of any creativity (art, music, stage play, literature, etc).



Plates10 A&B Minimalist Architecture

(Source: Plates10A&B http://www.google.co.in/search?hl=en&pg=minimalist+sculpture&cp=14&gs_id=22h&xhr=t&q=minimalist+architecture&bav=on.2.or.r_gc.r_pw.r_qf..cf.osb&biw=1350&bih=555&um=1&ie=UTF8&tbm=isch&source=og&sa=N&tab=wi&ei=IVnMT6jdL8LXrQfc5LnUDg ; June 4, 2012)

Modern architecture (Plate10) truly reflects the essence of minimalist ethos that emits from their appearance. The large open spaces with little ornamentation clearly show the clean structural elements. The use of 'mass and void' reflects the essence of pure form with minimal colors.



Plates11. Minimalist Kitchen Design

(Source: Plates11 http://www.google.co.in/search?hl=en&scient=psab&q=minimalist+kitchen+design&oq=Minimalist+Kitchen&aq=1&aqi=g4&aql=&gs_l=hp.1.1.0l4.3713.12434.0.14838.18.14.0.4.4.1.1627.5837.0j5j3j1j1j3j81.14.0...0.0.wD3Tmk4YZ0l&pbx=1&bav=on.2.or.r_gc.r_pw.r_qf..cf.osb&biw=1350&bih=555&ech=1&psi=SVvMT9u2BtDirAeNs6GeDg.1338792806978.3&emsg=NCSR&noj=1&ei=d1vMT7W1DMXWrQfhpfWqDg ; June 4, 2012)

The modern kitchen design (plates11) has introduced the 'modular kitchen design' that is developed around the concept of minimalist approach. The kitchen area is clear from any obstructions and generates a sense of cleanliness and reflects the urban sentiment. The traditional kitchen has given passage to young generation for an advanced hi-tech kitchen environment. The present kitchen is a place for meeting and dinning. People are proud to display their kitchen set up. The minimalist aesthetics has certainly given a remarkable change in modern day kitchens in term of form, space and color. The use of off-white color or magenta color in contrast to off-white colors with proper lighting has changed the environment of the traditional Indian kitchen.

Minimalist concepts with modular design have remarkably worked well with the modern day lifestyle.

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Plates12. A Minimalist Furniture Design



Plates12 B. Minimalist Lamp Shades



Plates 12 C. Minimalist Vase Design



Plates 12 D. Minimalist Office Stationary Design

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Plates 12 E. Minimalist Bathroom Design



Plates 12 F. Minimalist Interior Design



Plates 12 G. Minimalist Bicycle Design



Plates 12 H. Minimalist Interior Design

(Source: http://www.google.co.in/search?hl=en&pq=the+classical+golden+ratio&cp=18&gs_id=wz&xhr=t&q=minimalist+product+design&bav=on.2.or.r_gc.r_pw.r_qf..cf.osb&biw=1350&bih=555&um=1&ie=UTF8&tbn=isch&source=og&sa=N&tab=wi&ei=RbzMT4KiOY7ImQWY8bn7Dg ; June 4, 2012)

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Conclusion

'Pure Plastic Art' has casted a long shadow (positive-way) on the world of Industrial Design. Since the beginning of The Bauhaus, De Stijl movement flowed by Piet Mondrian's Pure Plastic Art, modern art has made significant contribution in Industrial Design. The Minimalist Design has harmonized with the costing, new material, technology, design process and changing lifestyle around the world.

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