Chapter 3: Imagery in design (part II)

Evans & Thomas, pp. 72 - 100

COM232 Graphic Communication

Photography is bringing order out of chaos.

Ansel Adams

Painting is the art of inclusion. Photography is an art of exclusion.

Ken Rockwell

Photography

Nothing speaks more clearly than a photograph.

Photographs can communicate on an emotional level due to realism and details.

Photography is regarded as the most credible type of imagery.

Often used in a photojournalistic way to support newsworthy editorials or to document informative content.



Adeline Ong and Lim Chin Ping's

Out of Sight Out of Mind



Lee Huishi's

The Orange Struggle

Photography

Viewers can identify with a situation or a product or human emotions on that matter.

Manufacturers and retails use photographs to prompt their customers into purchasing /using their products/services.

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Cropping

Cropping allows for control over how an image is framed.

At times, you have to work with supplied photos.

Removing portions of a photograph can create a focal point to draw attention to the photograph.

Crop judiciously.

Cropping is about taking out an unwanted part of the picture to show emphasis.





When cropping you should take into account the most interesting portion of an image.





Should you work your photograph around the design or is it the other Way around? Photographs must have stopping power!

That means prominence in your layout.



The rule of thirds. Place the subject at intersections



What makes a photograph great?

Lines and patterns to suggest depth





Striking light and shadow



Dramatic effects



Illustration

Illustrations are more expressive than photographs. (Evans & Thomas, p. 81)

Illustrations are capable of exaggerating the "expressiveness" of a message.

Dictated largely by techniques as well as the medium.

Pen and ink, scratchboard, pastel, gouache and digital drawing programs...

Each medium has a unique look and feel.



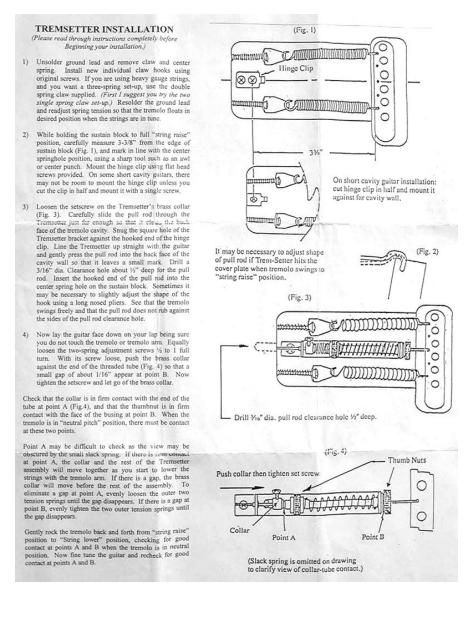




Illustration of the Decapitation of Violent Chinese Soldiers" by Utagawa Kokunimasa, October 1894 Sharf Collection, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

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Image terminology for production

Continuous tone – A series of gray or color tones with gradations, as opposed to color or tonal areas that are flat and distinct from one another.

Grayscale – A continuous tone black and white image.

Halftone – A method of reproducing a continuous tone by photographing it through a fine screen to convert the image into dots.

Line art – A b/w image that does not have continuous tone. Also called a bitmap.

What do these

mean?

Ideogram/ideograph – A pictorial image or symbol that represents an idea or a concept

Logo – A mark or a logotype or both used to represent a brand, company or service.

Logotype - Letters, words, or a name formed in a distinctive way

Pictogram/pictograph – A pictorial image that depicts a simplified representation of an object.

Symbol - A letter or sign that represents an activity, idea or object used within a cultural or commercial context.

(Evans & Thomas, p. 88)

Iconographic Symbols Symbols

Symbols must be easily understood by all individuals, regardless of language or culture.

Logos are used in the marketplace to identify products and services

Think of a product you have grown to trust. What is it? What do they sell? Why do you trust the product/brand?

The different ways of naming Founder's Descriptive

Founder's Descriptive Fabricated Associative Abbreviated Can you name some?

Identity systems



A means of applying elements across a broad range of materials, designers develop an identity system.

To provide a unified presentation based on the image established with the logo.

Covers a broad range of materials from website, promotional literature, merchandise, packaging and signage for vehicle and uniform applications.

An effective identity can...

- Help to build brand loyalty
- Can deliver your message clearly
- Establish and reaffirm your credibility
- To connect on an emotional level









A trademark is created by a designer, but made by a corporation

- Paul Rand.











A mark is both form and substance, image and idea. Its forms must be familiar enough to be recognisable, and unusual enough to be memorable.

- Ivan Chermayeff, Tom Geismar and Steff Geisbuhler.

Bold

Memorable to provide a clear consistent message.





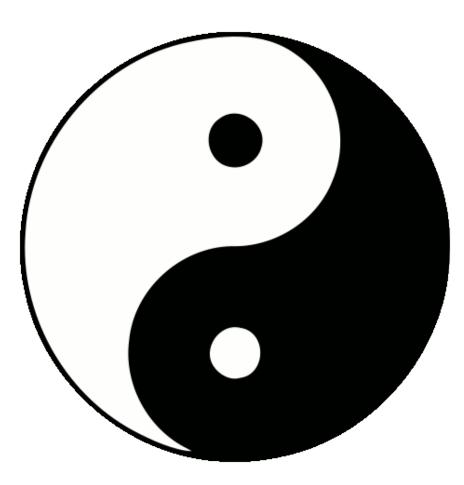
Reductive

Simple, instant and recognizable



Richness

Frugal in details yet rich enough in meaning.



Timelessness

It must stand the test of time and legally protectable



Adaptable & Sustainable

Works well across changing media and modes of communication



Flexible

Works in b/w and in color, sizeable from a 10-cent coin to a billboard.



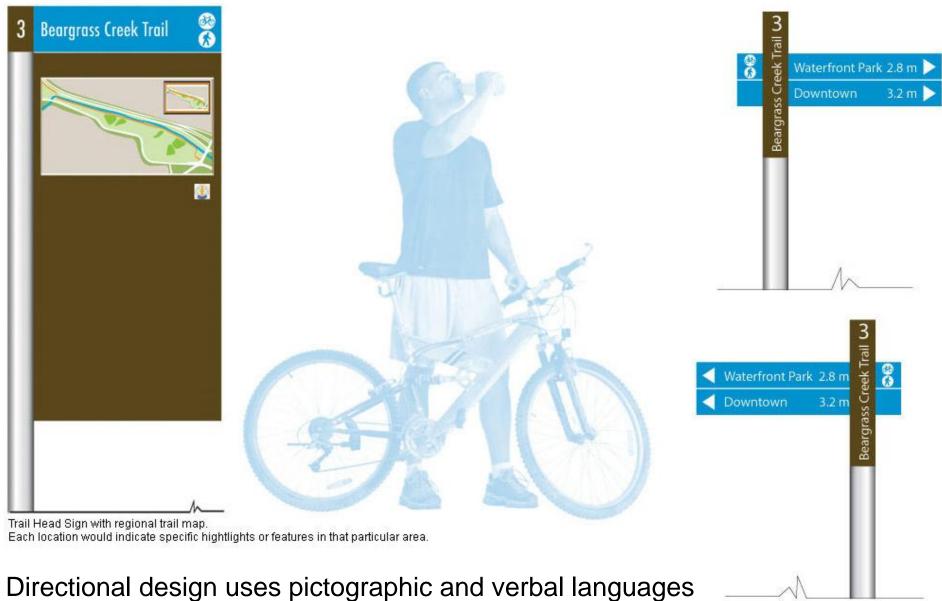
Wayfinding systems

If you're lost, you'll be looking for the "i" or the "?" symbol.

Pictograms and symbols for navigating unfamiliar territory incorporate a mixture of symbols, typography and signage that help us in places like malls, parks, airports, museums, etc.

They make use of directional symbols such as arrows and they are strategically placed to help guide people to navigate around.

A well-designed wayfinding system is stylistically in tune with the area/context it serves.



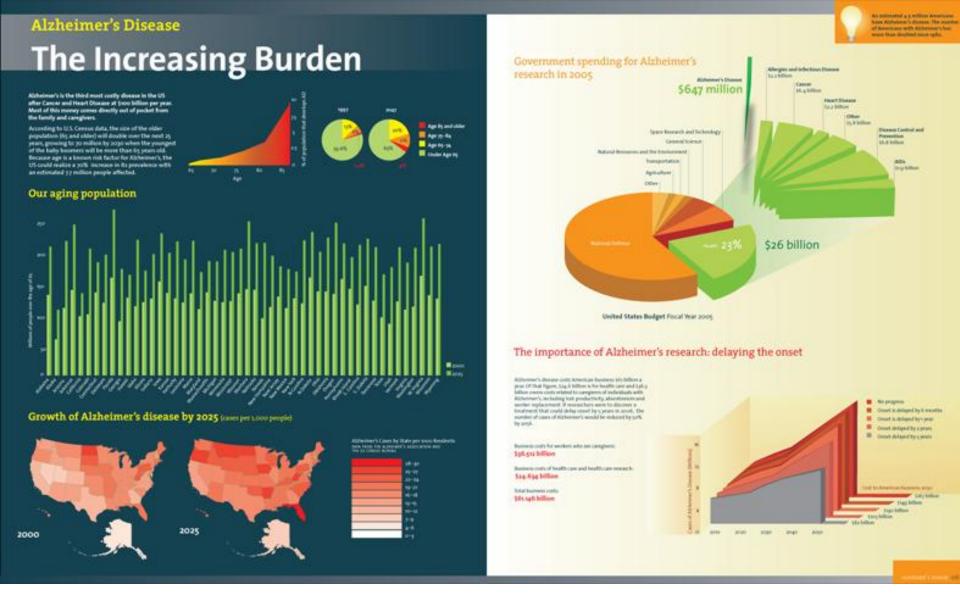
for way-finding.

Charts and graphs

Pie charts, bar charts, and graphs are the most common.

Pie charts work well for showing how groups are composed in terms of demographics or opinions.

Bar charts work well for comparing data. The bar in bar charts can run vertically or horizontally.



Information design deliver information that is graphically organized.

Source: http://christinakoehn.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2007/05/spread3.png

It takes two to tango

Verbal messages drive the decisionmaking process that ultimately determines graphic content and the form it needs to take.

Visual elements are needed to translate verbal concepts into visual form.