

## Rhythm Repetition

 Surface

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## Repetition and symmetry in nature

- Trees and branches
- Animals
- Plants

- Symmetry in plants

- Symmetry in trees and branches

- Symmetry in animals



## Repetitions in built architecture




Repetition and symmetry in fabrics.
Time can be seen in the composition of the textiles. British textiles from the $40^{\prime}, 50$ ánd $60^{\prime}$. Heals. Victoria and Albert Museum.

Barbara Brown for Heals,1969.



## Surface design

- Surfaces that seem to be continuos are created by repeting the module or wanted figure element systematically.
- The surface is consited together out of the printed elements and the empty space in between the elements.Unprinted and printed areas together create the rhythm to the surface.
- The rhythm between the figure elements is born from the changes and variations between the unprinted betweenand printed parts.

- When building the surface, note:
- To what direction you repeat the figure
- How often you repeat the figure(density)
- Horisontal, diagonal?
- As an ornament
- Movement in the surface


## Even repetition



## Sideway repetition



## Upwards repetition



## $1 / 4$ drop repetition



## Even repetition, crossed




Examples


## Note the density of the figures as a possibility



## Repetition in tiles












## Wooden block

## Exercise 14.92018

- Each of 7-8 group get their own wooden block form
- Each student print 3 different printed versions with the given wooden block print tool
- Use one color and one tool only ( do not change the tool or colour)
- Do thinking/drawing/planning in advance.
- Work as a team. After all have done their versions in the group, choose in the group 6 most different repetition versions to the presentation 28.9.
- Send to my courses your presentation and analyses of the group by 25.9 .




## Target of the task:

- Create your own systems in surface design.
- To understand the mathematical actions by making them and making visible the beauty of it at the same time.
- To make visible the power of repetition and the different possibilities to use repetition
- Use symmetry and mirror effects in many ways ans to study, what the printed form matter there in the system
- Design the surfaces by changing the distances, rhythms, density of the prints and changing the direction of the print.
- Trough opposites you get easily started:
- Upwards -downwards
- Mixed- in order
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