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Subject: KUN2005E – Edvard Munch

Date: Monday 10th of December 2012

Time: 9:00 AM -1:00 PM

Number of Hours: 4

This exam consists of two pages.

Part I: Essay (approximately three hours):

Please answer **one** of the two following questions:

- 1. Edvard Munch's art has often been labeled with Art Historical terms such as Realism, Naturalism, Impressionism, Symbolism, Synthetism, Art Nouveau, Vitalism and Expressionism. Please give examples, with a formal description and analysis, of central works of art by Munch that can be understood in the light of these terms.
- 2. What is understood by the notion *The Frieze of Life*? How and when did the term come into existence and what were the main ideas behind it? How does the notion *The Frieze of Life* relate to the so-called *Late Frieze of Life*? Give examples, with a formal description and an analysis of some of the most central works of art that these two notions encompass.

Part II: Knowledge questions (approximately one hour):

Please answer *four* of the seven following questions:

- 1. What happened at the 1892 Tostrup Exhibition and what did it lead to?
- 2. What was the so-called Green Room Series?
- 3. Edvard Munch excelled in the art of printmaking. What were the three techniques he used and what are their characteristics?



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- 4. Where is Munch's Summer House situated and which elements from that landscape are visible in very many of his pictures? Please give two examples.
- 5. The female hair is an element we find in many of Munch's pictures. Select one picture; describe it as part of the composition and as a symbolic element.
- 6. Name one of Munch's Monumental Projects and the main elements and ideas behind it.
- 7. Picture identification: which picture (title, date, and medium) is this? Please, also include a short analysis of it.



Good luck!