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Hazardous Materials are Prevalent in Visual Art Departments. In many facets of Visual Art, such as ceramics, printmaking, metals, sculpture, photography, paintings, and more, hazardous materials are commonly used throughout the creation process. Information obtained from Material Safety Data Sheets reveals the Health and Environmental implications of handling the different types of hazardous materials. Hazardous materials that cause concerns include Cadmium, Rodinal, Formaldehyde, Methyl chloroform, and Nitric acid. Adverse health effects from exposure to these substances range from a variety of cancers, damage to lung, kidney, and stomach functions, and many aggravate preexisting health conditions. Improper disposal of hazardous materials causes destructive pollution to the surrounding area’s air, land, and water. Suggestions on maintaining a healthy environment include intensive education and training for the faculty and students on the safe handling and disposal of hazardous materials. Strict adherence to safety guidelines such as wearing goggles or chemical aprons, and having the resources available to deal with accidental exposures due to spills, is a crucial step to running a safe Visual Art Department. Precautions need to be set in place to ensure the health of the students, faculty, and environment is maintained.