Training of the Application of the Art of Criticism Method in Teaching Art Appreciation for Middle School Teachers in Yogyakarta Municipality

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The aims of this *Pengabdian kepada Masyarakat* (PPM) or community service are: (1) to increase the knowledge of junior high school art teachers in Yogyakarta Municipality about the method of art criticism, (2) to improve the ability of junior high school art teachers in Yogyakarta Municipality to conduct art criticism, and (3) to develop the ability of junior high school art teachers in the Municipality of Yogyakarta to apply the method of art criticism in learning art appreciation.

The target audience for this PPM activities were the junior high school art teachers in the Yogyakarta Municipality. This PPM activities was carried out in the form of workshops with teachers who were members of the *Musyawarah Guru Mata Pelajaran* (MGMP) *Seni Rupa*, the discussion group for art teachers, of Yogyakarta Municipal Junior High School. These activities include: (1) preparation of counseling materials, (2) conducting training with presentations by PPM implementers accopanied by discussions with participating teachers, (3) training in implementation of formal analysis, (4) training in applying formal analysis in learning planning, and (5) practice of applying art appreciation learning with the art criticism method in schools, and (6) evaluating the results of training with joint reflection by PPM implementers and participating teachers.

The results of this PPM activity show that with the implementation of the workshop activities, there was an increase in the ability of teachers to understand knowledge about the methods of art criticism. In addition, through the training under the guidance of PPM implementers, these teachers managed to improve their ability to criticize works of art and apply the method of art criticism in the planning and implementation of art appreciation learning.

Kata Kunci: teaching art appreation, art criticism method, formal analysis, junior high school art teachers