Art of the War for Independence

A Revolutionary Experience
Skirmish on Lexington Green
View of the Town of Concord
Battle at the North Bridge
The British Retreat
How Would you define the Doolittle Prints?

- What words can you use to describe them?

- Why do you think that they are important artifacts?
Sometimes this painting is called the “most patriotic image painted on canvas.

Willard wanted to capture something important about the revolution. Look at the three central figures. What message is Willard trying to convey?
John Trumbull
“The Patriot - Artist of the American Revolution”
The Presentation of the Declaration of Independence
Burgoyne’s Surrender at Saratoga
The Surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown
George Washington Resigns His Commission
Trumbull in the United States Capitol Rotunda
Artistic Interpretations of The Battle of Trenton
December 26, 1776
Consider The Following Paintings
Ask The Following Questions:

1. Which is the most accurate?

2. Which is the most romantic?

3. Which is the most abstract?

4. Which one do most Americans identify with as the actual event?
John Trumbull
Emanuel Leutze
Larry Rivers
Let’s Consider Leutze’s Version. Take A Good Look at this Painting. Based on what you know about the story what appears have been gotten wrong by Leutze?
The Treaty of Paris, 1783
by
Benjamin West
What is the most obvious thing that strikes you about this painting?

Speculate as to why West never finished the painting.
George Washington
by
Jean Antoine Houdon

Sculpted from a life mask.

Most accurate artistic artifact regarding George Washington.

Virginia State House
Richmond, Virginia
The Minuteman
by
Daniel Chester French
The Minuteman Commemorates

1. The Citizen Soldier

2. The Centennial of the Battle of Concord

3. The Start of the War for Independence