

ABSTRACT

This research paper determined audience perceptions of the documentary films among the major film genres. Over the years many types of film genres have existed. On the other hand, early examples of film making created two types of films: fictional and nonfictional. Authors such as Grant and Kaminsky have attempted to define film genres and their codes. Britton and Barnouw showed the different style of the documentary genre and its basic characteristics.

For the purpose of this study, 85 university students were chosen as the participants. According to the results of the study, it was found that there was a direct relationship between film genres and preferences of the audience.

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