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The definition of the Journalistic Caricatures



The Journalistic Caricatures or the Journalistic cartoon is a journalistic genre that interprets a news graphically and synthesized, with a critical point of view.

Its purpose is to communicate with humor, irony or sarcasm a fact or event of a political, economic or social nature, spreading it in print, whether these newspapers, weeklies, etc.

In the print media, a cartoon is also called that newspaper that occupies a prominent place in the newspaper (generally in opinion pages); in this, the great challenge is to transmit an understandable message with a single image (which may or may not be accompanied by text).

The journalistic caricature always expresses the personal opinion of its author, who in most cases is in agreement with the editorial line of the medium that publishes it.

Usually seeks to criticize and ridicule, although in some occasions can also praise.



CHARACTERISTICS OF JOURNALISTIC CARICATURE

- 1- Addresses political, economic or social issues that interest the reading community.
- 2- Each medium usually has one or several fixed cartoonists who periodically publish their cartoons.
- 3- Usually, it is always the same size and is always located in the same place (page, body and angle) of the newspaper, weekly or printed medium that publishes it.

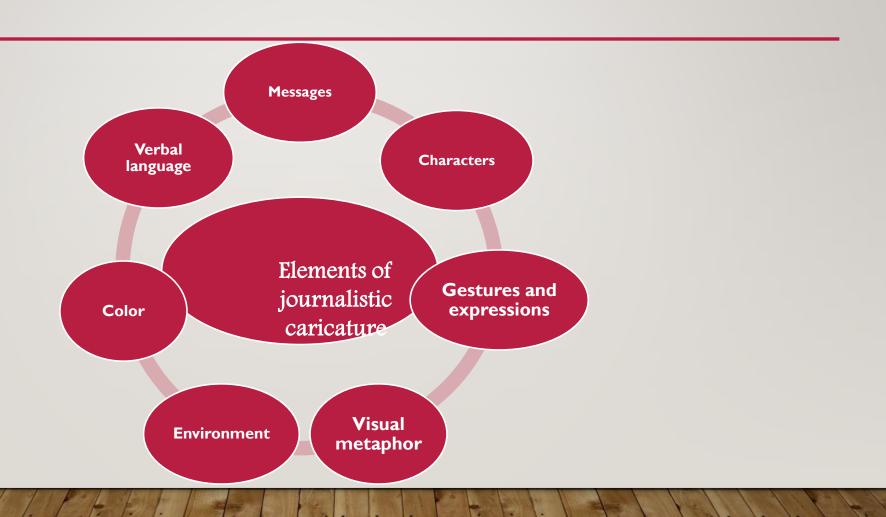
- 4- It is signed by its author with name or pseudonym.
- 5- Always is about a subject of great relevance at the moment in which it is published.

Functions of journalistic caricature

- 1- Communicate a concept or idea from a critical stance.
- 2- Show the facts in a humorous or sarcastic way.
- 3- Attack characters from public life, highlighting their features and / or behaviors, mostly negative ones, and ridiculing them.
- 4- Call the attention of the reader about an event or event of relevance to him and his community.

- 5 To put on the table certain matters of public interest and to encourage the reader to investigate further, to pose questions or to generate collective opinions.
- 6 Facilitate the knowledge or understanding of the fact through graphic resources and exaggeration.
- 7- Disseminate the editorial opinion of the author and the medium that publishes it.
- 8- Criticize, censor, protest or simply comment on any topic that is relevant.

ELEMENTS OF JOURNALISTIC CARICATURE



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