POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE SPACE









POSITIVE SPACE - the actual mass shape of the object being drawn (In the example to the above left, the actual flowers, stems and leaves are considered the positive space).

NEGATIVE SPACE - the empty spaces in between the objects. (In the examples to the above right, the black space is representing the negative space)

Studying and observing the negative space is just as important as the studying the positive space. When you are working on a drawing your attention should ultimately go back and forth between observation of negative and positive space.