Virtual Field Trip- Art Museum

Ideal for all grade levels, connects with the following Girl Scout Badges: Brownie Painting, Junior Drawing, Daisy Outdoor Art Maker, Brownie Outdoor Art Creator, Junior Outdoor Art Explorer.

Get inspired to create a masterpiece by virtually touring the Dallas Museum of Art! For this field trip, check out the Dallas Museum of Art’s virtual collection. The artwork is divided into different themes so you can locate what interests you the most. After looking through the collections, try the discussion questions and activities below. Then check out the resources from other art museums included on this guide. *Please note, some art may contain nudity or mature subject matter. Adults should use their discretion in deciding what material is appropriate.

Discussion Questions:

Choose a work of art from the Dallas Museum of Art that inspires you. Answer the following questions.

What was the title of the piece of art?

Describe it in your own words. What colors are used? Is it realistic or abstract? What do you think it represents?

What do you like about the artwork?

Possible Activities:

1) Draw/paint/sculpt your own version of a piece of art from the museum. Try experimenting with different materials to really make it your own.
2) Play a game of “finish the drawing.” Start a drawing and then work with others in your household to complete it. Each person adds to the drawing until you have completed a group masterpiece!
3) Art is a great way to express your emotions. How do you feel today? Draw or paint a picture using colors and images to represent your feelings. Share your creation with your family and encourage them to do the same.
4) Have someone in your family pick a picture and describe it to you. Try to recreate the picture using only their directions. See how close you get to the original!

Get Outside:

Become an outdoor artmaker! Next time you go outside or on a family walk, try one of the following activities.

1) Take a notebook or piece of paper outside and get inspiration from nature. Is there a beautiful flower or bird you want to draw? Is there a house or lawn sculpture that you like? Sketch what you see and then either set up your drawing/painting area outside to work or take your inspiration sketches inside.

2) Become a nature photographer! Use your phone camera or ask to borrow your adult’s. Share your pictures with your family.

3) Design with nature. Find items outside that you can use to make art. Create your masterpiece and display it where others can enjoy it.

4) Art is all about expressing yourself. Get outside and have a dance party or singalong. Include other neighbors if you can do so within social distancing guidelines.

Other Art Museum Inspiration:

Explore the British Museum’s Historical timeline of art, design and culture.

For an actual virtual tour, check out the famous Louvre. They have an amazing collection of Egyptian Antiques to explore!

Want to learn more about Van Gogh? Check out the virtual collection from the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam.

Stay tuned for more activities, including a GSNETX Virtual Art Show! More details to come.