Spring Community Fun Day 2020

Searchable Art Museum Scavenger Hunt

Even when our doors are closed, art from our collection is always available to explore via our Searchable Art Museum, or SAM! You can find it here: http://sam.nmnmuseum.org. This scavenger hunt will help you find your way around SAM and introduce you to art with a spring theme. Print this sheet at home or follow along with any piece of paper!

Click on the link above to go to the welcome page for SAM. Some of the art is organized within collections. You can see five of these at the bottom of the page. Click on the collection titled Painting Santa Fe (PBS Special). On the first page, can you find a woodblock print made in 1927 that could inspire you to plant some spring flowers? What is the title of the print and who made it?

Title: ______________________ Artist: ______________________

Click on the Advanced Search icon on the left hand tool bar (it looks like a magnifying glass). This is where you can look for artwork in different ways. For example, if you like a particular artist, you can search using their name under Artist/Maker/Culture. The description box allows you to search for art by typing in a few words to describe what you are interested in. Type spring into the Description box and press enter. Can you find a very colorful painting with two things we often associate with spring time? What shape is the painting? Who is the artist?

Describe or draw the shape of the painting here

Who is the artist? ______________________
Last Friday was Good Friday. Click on the Advanced Search icon, and then click the box for On View near the bottom of the page. Click Submit. This will show you all of the artwork from the collection that is currently in a show at the museum. There are many pages of different kinds of artwork. Look at as many as you like! On page 9, can you find an artwork that shows Good Friday? When was it made? What is it made of, or, what is its medium?

When was the art made? _______________ What is the art work's medium? _______________

Next, on page 10 of works on view, there is a painting by Georgia O’Keeffe titled Spring Tree No. 1. The “No. 1” in the title suggests there are more spring tree paintings. If you made Spring Tree No. 2, what would it look like? Show us below using colored pencils, crayons, markers, pens, or pencils!

Using the Advanced Search again, type “spring planting” into the Description search. Many trees have started to flower for the spring. Can you find a night scene that shows trees full of white flowers? When was this made, and who made it? Click on the artwork to open its page, and then click on the name of the artist in blue. On the next page, click View All Works. Can you find another artwork by the same artist that also shows a flowering tree? What is its title?

What is the title? ___________________________