

Hoyt Sherman Place Gallery

The Des Moines Women's Club started collecting art in the late 1800s and started the first public art gallery in Des Moines. The women valued art and saw it as an important cultural experience for the community. They also helped support the first art school in Des Moines called the Des Moines Academy of Art (renamed Cumming School of Art) which ran from 1890-1950.

The Des Moines Women's Club members collected artwork for the organization. They were also gifted many pieces of art from members of the community who knew they were building a collection that they would manage and make available to the public.



PICK A PAINTING (from the 6 shown above and sit by that painting)



Answer the following questions: *(if you need more room please use the back of paper)*

Why did you pick this painting? Was it the colors, subjects matter, feeling/emotion, other?

What is the title of the painting and who is the artist?

What are some of the design elements that make up the painting? Example: Textures, colors, lines, objects.

If you were IN that image how do you think you would be feeling?
