



The Painting Cave

Art Space Solutions #006

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Art Links That Make You Think

Learning about Great Artists who have lived or still live is essential to developing as an artist. Understanding who they were or are as people helps you to understand their work.

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Art has been around since the beginning of time. The artists who created the beautiful artworks that hang in museums around the world were people just like you and I. They were all 'beginners' at some point in their lives and they struggled, just as we do, to learn their craft. The challenges that they faced were and are as real as the challenges that we face today.

Discovering their lives, their struggles, and their accomplishments is invaluable to us today.

I have scoured Youtube to find this lovely selection of documentaries on some of the greatest artists who have ever lived, with extraordinary stories that will have you looking at art with new eyes.

Jordan Petersen - Why You need Art in Your Life

Jordan B Peterson (born June 12, 1962) is a Canadian clinical psychologist and professor of psychology at the University of Toronto.

I really enjoy Jordan Petersen's philosophies and ideas and am a regular follower of his talks, however, when I watched this video, it moved me to tears. He has a way of expressing what we all know and feel as art lovers.

This video can be found [HERE](#). Or just copy this link into your browser.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7z3mq6fjmzw&list=FLRXe3afJmoWFPgn4iNzB18Q&index=4&t=5s>

Vermeer Master of Light

A fantastic 2001 documentary, with a huge chunk exploring Vermeer's compositional methods and techniques. Narrated by Meryl Streep

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DEior-0inxU&list=PLy39EzloTgUDfHGWdjvK2fKZRGvuRwYV&index=14&t=117s>

The Life and Times of Frida Kahlo (Documentary Film 2005)

A documentary feature about the life of the Mexican painter Frida Kahlo.

This video can be found [HERE](#). Or just copy this link into your browser.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vpJDLApWG9Q>

Artist Biographies - Overview Videos from Phil Hanse

This is Goodbye-Art Academy's growing collection of artist biographies. Our aim is to give you a sense of the artist behind the art, where they came from, things that happened in their life, and what kind of person they were.

Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Rembrandt, Edvard Munch, Claude Monet, Gustav Klimt, Egon Schiele, Leonardo da Vinci, Edgar Degas, Cezanne, Caravaggio, Botticelli, Seurat, Remington, Millet,

Michaelangelo, John Singer Sargent, Henry de Toulouse-Lautrec, Hiroshige

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hF_nArPFEgs&list=PLXVuKomahjzdS_Q4ZhJmpd6V6qZSKVmp7

BBC Michael Palin in Wyeth's World

Michael Palin heads for rural Pennsylvania and Maine to explore the extraordinary life and work of one of America's most popular and controversial painters, **Andrew Wyeth**. Fascinated by his iconic painting Christina's World, Palin goes in search of the real-life stories that inspired this and Wyeth's other depictions of the American landscape and its hard grafting inhabitants.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jNuGbKIoUds>

The Next Great Artist Season 1 & 2

This is a fantastic 2 seasons of a group of artists competing for a solo exhibition at the Brooklyn Museum and a grand prize of \$100,000. They are given a daily theme and a certain number of hours to complete their work before it is judged by a panel of judges. It is funny and interesting and immensely exciting and of course very inspiring, Executive producer is Sarah Jessica Parker.

SEASON 1 - These videos can be found [HERE](#). Or just copy this link into your browser.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PEbPMZh_rHs&list=PL232F07EDF18D7C1A

SEASON 2 - These videos can be found [HERE](#). Or just copy this link into your browser.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=02TUol-xLzs&list=PL7x8Gh-1C8QFZEH_HqS_ilKjGxt134Bdy

I hope that you find these videos as inspiring as I do. So go pop your popcorn, grab your drink, Get your feet up ... and enjoy!



Who am I?

My name is Jacqui (Jax) Simpson. I am an artist and teacher and have taught many students over 30 years.

I am passionate about Art and about those who want to learn how to create art.

I will be sending out tips, tricks, and advice to you on a weekly basis.

I am here to help you and I would love to hear from you.

Stay in touch with us!



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