

# Newnan-Coweta Art Association NEWS

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Newnan, Georgia

Kick Your Imagination Into High Gear

## *The Getty Museum Challenge*

The Getty Museum recently posted a challenge and now we are challenging you. It's a fun one that doesn't require leaving your house. Give it a try and post on our *Newnan Coweta Art Association* Facebook page.

### Here is the Getty Challenge:

We issued a playful challenge on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram to re-create your favorite art using just three objects lying around home. And wow, did you respond! Thousands and thousands of re-creations later, we're in awe of your creative powers and sense of humor.

The challenge was inspired by the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam and a brilliant Instagram account called *Between Art and Quarantine*, but adapted with the invitation to use digitized and downloadable artworks from Getty's online collection. In the last few days, we've been delighted by countless creative interpretations of iconic artworks—both on our feed and across the web.

You've re-created Jeff Koons using a pile of socks, restaged Jacques-Louis David with a fleece blanket and duct tape, and MacGyvered costumes out of towels, pillows, scarves, shower caps, coffee filters, bubble wrap, and—of course—toilet paper and toilet rolls.



Cézanne and Vermeer have been a popular source of inspiration, especially *Still Life with Apples* (done to perfection with household pottery and gin) and *Girl with a Pearl Earring* (restaged with selfies and grandma, pug, or lab). Grant Wood's *American Gothic* seems to capture the current socially distant mood, while Munch's *The Scream* is appropriate for all ages and apparently tastes good on toast. (The Cézanne is at the Getty; the next three are at the Mauritshuis, the Art Institute of Chicago, and the Munch Museum in Oslo, by the way.)

Please visit The Getty's blog post for the results of their challenge. <https://blogs.getty.edu/iris/getty-artworks-recreated-with-household-items-by-creative-geniuses-the-world-over/>

## Letter From the President

In accordance with COVID 19 guidelines, we will cancel our member meeting originally scheduled for April 16th. I'm sure sheltering in place has made many of you a bit manic. For myself, very little creating has been going on, other than a few face masks for me and my husband. Certainly nothing I'd post to Facebook to brag of my skills. My mother is probably laughing at my efforts from her sewing machine in heaven!

**Next scheduled meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 20th. Since the Georgia Governor has extended the "shelter in place" through May 13th, it is unlikely the Juried Art Show will run as planned this year.** Very sad, but our safety and health is much more important. Hopefully we can find a way to virtually share our talents for now.

Beth is trying to add online sites to keep us all entertained. Many thanks to Beth for all her hard work.

Some towns have added virtual art tours in lieu of "art walks" or similar events. We could definitely consider doing something like this. Here is a link for the Marietta event: <https://www.wabe.org/events/marietta-square-virtual-art-walk/>

At the very least we'd all love to see what you're working on. Maybe, use our Critique Corner on Facebook, or send us a link to your site and we'll post it for you on our Instagram page. Even though we can't attend services, please use this especially "holy week" to pray for our quick recovery from this pandemic. Please keep safe, but do try to keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Margo Merrifield • President  
770 298 8904

# ART *from home*

*"For me, painting is a way to forget life. It is a cry in the night, a strangled laugh."* ~ Georges Rouault

## APRIL'S BOREDOM BUSTERS!



## 28 DAY CHALLENGE

### LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

<https://www.loc.gov/pictures/>

If you haven't browsed photos on the Library of Congress website, now is a great time. You can get lost for hours looking at pictures of old baseball cards, the Civil War, Wright Brothers, and thousands more. You may even find images of your home town



### SOOTHE YOUR SOUL

**People say, with enthusiasm, that they create finer art when listening to fine music. Here are two sites to test theory.**

Fine Art Music and Painting to peaceful selections with calm melodies.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=13E5azGDK1k>

The Best Relaxing Classical Music Ever - relaxation, meditation, and tranquility will be yours.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AIZi6LYfAs0>



### MUSEUM TOURS FROM HOME

**Museums From Around the World That You Can Visit Online**

You may have to shelter in place but your mind doesn't. Here are twelve virtual art museum tours to take you away. Enjoy!

<https://www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours>

### BROOKLYN ART LIBRARY

<https://brooklynartlibrary.org/28daychallenge>

Are you up for a challenge? The Brooklyn Art Library thinks you are so they are offering 28 days of fun....for free! Everyday will bring new projects to inspire you to make art. Perfect since that's what we do.



### 3-D FUN!

You may want to pull those card boxes out of your recycling and create cool sculpture. Cardboard, paint and imagine are the only ingredients. Oh, maybe some glue, too.

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/221731981639809614/>



*Don't do this! Really, don't...*

### WHAT TO COOK WITH WHAT YOU HAVE

Canned tuna, honey, canned tomatoes and Brussel sprouts? There's a recipe for that! Welcome to the NEW MyFridgeFood!! Thank you so much for stopping by, please feel free to take a look around :)

<https://myfridgefood.com>



### BOOK 'EM!

Looking for a good book? Here's a great (free) place to find one, your local library. If you have a card, you can download one of hundreds of book available digitally. War and Peace? ✓

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