

# ARTISTS IN FOCUS



*Gainsborough*

PROMINENT DRAUGHTSMAN

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITY SHEET



## AS EASY AS PIE

During the 1700s and 1800s Londoners needed cheap, filling food. **Eel pie** fulfilled that need. Though contaminated, the River Thames had a large population of eel.



Do you want to try your hand at making this traditional dish? You can find a recipe @ <https://www.food.com/recipe/baked-smoked-eel-pie-429307>.  
Let us know what you think!



## PORTRAITS PAY THE BILLS

Gainsborough could not make money by painting the landscapes that he loved. When he died, he had forty unsold landscapes in his studio. But he was able to make a good living painting people, including children like the boy on the cover and the siblings John and Henry and Molly and Peggy pictured below.



The tutorial @ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iMEBSQJYaAY> can help you learn how to draw male and female faces. Take a look, and try creating at least one of the faces from the video.



## ROYAL COMMISSION

Gainsborough was also commissioned to paint his royal Highness King George III. Imagine the artist being invited to a royal feast after painting this beautiful portrait. Who might have come to such a dinner? What might they have talked about? Write a fictitious account of the banquet incorporating real people and topics from the time period.

The timeline @ <http://history.parkfieldprimary.com/georgians> can help you get started on your research!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Homeschool Days: Artist in Focus

- November 5, 7, and 8: Edgar Degas, Non-traditional Sculptor

### Tour the Benjamin West Collection

- Friday, October 11 at 10 AM
- War Memorial Chapel, for adults and students (3rd-12th grade)
- Rarely open to the public, the War Memorial Chapel displays a monumental collection of paintings commissioned by King George III and painted by Pennsylvanian Benjamin West. Discover their significance in history!

*Free Event*

### Tour the Bowen Collection of Antiquities

- Friday, October 11 at 2 PM
- M&G Lobby, for adults and students (K5-12th grade)
- History enthusiasts and pupils of archaeology will marvel again at the developments of ancient civilizations and their preserved practices by examining treasures in M&G's collection including Egyptian make-up from 332 BC, Roman lanterns from the second century, and a Hebrew baby rattle from 1300 BC.

*Free Event*



## **U. DAY: An Educational Street Fair**

- Saturday, October 12 from 10AM-1:30PM
- Front Campus
- Explore dozens of fun, interactive booths on front campus during this family-friendly event. In addition to enjoying stations for food, face painting and cool hands-on science experiments, young artists will train as apprentices in the art of the Old Masters! Join an old-world artist's studio to expand your view of people and history!

*Free Event*

### **Educational Mission Statement**

Through tours, events, and publications, the Museum & Gallery at Bob Jones University seeks to partner with educators in fulfilling all of the National Visual Arts Content Standards. By integrating art into the core curriculum, students learn to value the arts, to communicate through the arts, and to become creative problem solvers. M&G's individual STEAM lessons and fully-developed unit plans are designed to help students better understand history and culture in light of the arts, to improve their literary interest and understanding through visual storytelling, to hone their aesthetic perceptions and to enrich their analytical skills. Through this mission, M&G is privileged to inspire educators in the task of developing a community of citizens who have the ability to think, feel, and understand the world in which they live.