

Museum Paper -- Music 101 -- Spring 2010

Due: 3/19/10

[Visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art](http://www.metmuseum.org)

or type in: www.metmuseum.org

Your first task is to find and list 20 works of art in the museum (no more than 5 of which can be from the musical instrument section!) that have something to do with music or dance. Fill out the below chart with your items and briefly describe each one. Note: you should only write down works that interest you as you will be writing about two or three specific pieces in your paper.

Second, write a 2-3 page paper (no less than 2!) describing your visit to the museum, concentrating your writing on the two or three specific works of art that you liked best or were the most thought provoking.

In your writing, make sure that you mention the name of the piece, what it is (a painting, a sculpture, a piece of pottery, something architectural, an instrument etc.), who (of course) made the work, and the period of time from which it dates. Describe the work by considering some of the following questions:

What attracted you to this particular work? What does it remind you of? What does it have to do with music?

If the work is a painting:

What's going on in the painting? Is it abstract? Figurative? Both? Colors?

If the work is a sculpture:

What does it look like? Is it figurative? Abstract? What does it seem to project into space? What's it made of? Does it have a base? Does it sit directly on the floor? What might the shapes in the sculpture suggest?

Remember to keep the work's relationship to music as the main focus of your writing.

MAKE SURE YOUR LIST DOCUMENT IS ATTACHED TO YOUR PAPER AND THAT IT HAS YOUR NAME ON IT.