

Drawing Inspiration

Drawings from the Permanent Collection

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"You can't do sketches enough. Sketch everything and keep your curiosity fresh."

John Singer Sargent

Artists draw inspiration through line and mark making. Sketches are the note taking of visual artists. Artists from all disciplines use sketches to figure out a subject, composition, and/or generate visual thoughts on existing work. These types of drawings are full of energy with a direct path to the artist's mind and eye. This rapid expressionistic drawing is usually never intended as a finished work. Instead, it is viewed as part of the process that helps build an understanding of form, light, and space.

This exhibit highlights sketches from the permanent collection that represents both local and world acclaimed artists from multiple centuries. Viewers will see each artist's individuality as it presents itself in every mark that exists on the paper. In addition, they will be able to notice the difference between pencil, charcoal, and ink.