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CCO/Free-Photos/Pixabay Whether you consider it an investment, a hobby or just a cool way to decorate the walls in your home, acquiring new art can be a fun and exhilarating experience. Although many people assume collection on any budget. You may not have the funds to fill it with famous pieces, but all that matters is that you fill it with pieces you love. Know What You Like First, only collect what you like, even if it's something obscure that others may not appreciate or understand. Unless you're just trying to make a quick buck — and that's often hard to do — putting together a collection won't be fun if you force yourself to choose items just because they're trendy. If you aren't sure what you love, go to the library and check out the artisan booths at local fairs and festivals. Do a simple internet search, visit an antique store or flip through the art at your local craft store or big box store. Figure out what appeals to you, and use that as a starting point. Know Where to Look The next step is knowing where to find the art you like. Some of the places you visit to discover your taste may also sell the types of pieces you like. Some of the places you visit to discover your taste may also sell the types of pieces you like. places, including estate sales, where you may find rare and unique pieces, and art websites like Etsy, ArtStar, Uprise Art and Editioned Art. Some artists allow you to visit their studios, and auction houses typically have art in their inventories. If you go to auctions outside of major cities, you may even find a rare piece at an excellent price. Do Your Homework Before you make a purchase, especially an expensive purchase, you want to do your homework on the artist, the item and its background before signing on the dotted line. In some cases, the seller may not realize the value of an item and sell it for a bargain price, but you don't want to pay too much for a piece, even if you love it. You also want to avoid buying something advertised as an authentic piece that is actually just a reproduction. Be on the lookout for fraudulent items, and learn how to read the documentation that verifies the authenticity and provenance of a piece of art. Take It Slow If you know your budget for starting an art collection, don't rush out and spend it all in one day. Don't expect to put together a huge, envious collection overnight. It takes time to curate the perfect collection for your interests, tastes and passions. For many art collectors, the hobby becomes a lifelong journey. You never know when a new artist you discover turns into a huge success, making that \$100 painting you bought worth a small fortune — and bragging rights — one day. Starting slow also allows you to save up for the more expensive pieces, make sure you have plenty of space to keep your art. Sure, you could rent a storage building if you don't have enough room in your home for all your treasures, but what's the point in having an awesome collection if you can't show it off? If you acquire expensive pieces, insure them against theft and disasters. You may also want to make a plan for what happens to your art after you pass away. If you don't have family, you may want to donate art to a museum or charity, for example. MORE FROM QUESTIONSANSWERED.NET Home Visual Arts Architecture, the ancient architecture Egyptian art and architecture, the ancient architecture, the ancient architecture is produced mainly during the dynastic periods of the first three millennia bce in the Nile valley regions of Egypt and Nubia. The course of art in Egypt paralleled to a large extent the country's political history, but it depended as well on the entrenched belief in the permanence of the natural, divinely ordained order. Artistic achievement in both architecture and representational art aimed at the preservation of forms and conventions that were held to reflect the perfection of the world at the primordial moment of creation and to embody the correct relationship between humankind, the king, and the pantheon of the gods. For this reason, Egyptian art appears outwardly resistant to development and the exercise of individual artistic judgment, but Egyptian artisans of every historical period found different solutions for the conceptual challenges posed to them. For the purposes of definition, "ancient Egyptian" is essentially coterminous with pharaonic Egypt, the dynastic structure of Egyptian history, artificial though it may partly be, providing a convenient chronological framework. The distinctive periods are: Predynastic (c. 6th millennium bce-c. 2925 bce); Early Dynasties, c. 2925-c. 2575 bce); Old Kingdom (4th-8th dynasties, c. 2575-c. 2130 bce); First Intermediate (9th-17th dynasties, c. 2675-c. 2130 bce); New Kingdom (18th-18th dynasties, c. 2675-c. 2130 bce); First Intermediate (1675-c. 2675-c. 26 20th dynasties, 1539-1075 bce); Third Intermediate (21st-25th dynasties, c. 1075-656 bce); and Late (26th-31st dynasties, 664-332 bce). Geographical factors were predominant in forming the particular character of Egyptian art. By providing Egypt with the most predictable agricultural system in the ancient world, the Nile afforded a stability of life in which arts and crafts readily flourished. Equally, the deserts and the sea, which protected Egypt on all sides, contributed to this stability by discouraging serious invasion for almost 2,000 years. The desert hills were rich in minerals and fine stones, ready to be exploited by artists and craftspeople. Only good wood was lacking, and the need for it led the Egyptians to undertake foreign expeditions to Lebanon, to Somalia, and, through intermediaries, to tropical Africa. In general, the search for useful and precious materials determined the direction of foreign policy and the establishment of trade routes and led ultimately to the enrichment of Egyptian material culture. For further treatment, see Egypt; Middle Eastern religions, ancient. If you have a graphics project and you're trying to come in under budget, you might search for free clip art online. It's possible to find various art and images that are available for download without charge. What is Clip Art? Clip art includes images and pictures that you can import into various programs or into documents. Clip art images will be either vector graphics or raster graphics are the creation process has become very simplified compared to how artists made clip art several decades ago. 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