

NOVELS FEATURING ARTISTS

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Harriet Scott Chessman. *Lydia Cassatt reading the morning paper*

The inner life of Mary Cassatt and her sister.

Harriet Scott Chessman. *Ohio angels*

Concerns an artist's effort to understand and represent someone much loved.

Tracy Chevalier. *Girl with a pearl earring*

A servant in Vermeer's household becomes one of the most enigmatic characters in 17th century art.

Tracy Chevalier. *The lady and the unicorn*

Imaginative account of the creation of a series of famous medieval tapestries.

Don DeLillo. *The body artist*

Parable about a young artist who encounters a strange man in her home.

Sarah Dunant. *The birth of Venus*

A girl in Renaissance Florence seeks the freedom of marriage in order to paint.

Kathleen Eagle. *Night falls like silk*

An art dealer meets a Native American artist while bidding on some drawings.

Katie Fforde. *Artistic license*

A photojournalist meets a painter while on an art tour of France.

Margaret Forster. *Keeping the world away*

Follows the life of an early 20th century painting as it changes hands and, through the years, affects the lives of a succession of women.

Danielle Ganek. *Lulu meets God and doubts him*

Enjoyably tart art world send-up.

Michael Gruber. *The forgery of Venus*

A desperate artist ducks ethical issues and re-creates a crumbling fresco, thereby winning fame, fortune, and a dangerous patron.

Siri Hustvedt. *What I loved*

The ardent exchange of ideas underlies the action of this story set in the New York art world.

David L. Lindsey. *Animosity*

A sculptor becomes obsessed with two sisters who offer him a commission.

Peter Mayle. Chasing Cezanne

A photographer discovers hanky-panky on the international art scene.

Adrienne Miller. The coast of Akron

The daughter from a dysfunctional family of artists, living in a multi-turreted mansion in Akron, seeks an escape from her legacy.

Deborah Moggach. Tulip fever

In 1630s Amsterdam, an artist falls in love with the wife of the wealthy merchant he is painting.

Whitney Otto. The passion dream book

Spans several centuries and continents as it explores the relationship between art and the lives artists choose in the service of their art.

Iain Pears. The portrait

A once celebrated portraitist is obsessed with destroying a famous critic whom he formerly called his friend and mentor.

James Purdy. Gertrude of Stony Island Avenue

A woman realizes the emptiness of her own life after the death of her artist daughter.

Deborah Smith. On Bear Mountain

A man journeys to Georgia to reclaim his father's iron bear sculpture.

John Updike. Seek my face

A meditation on art, aging, and memory.

Susan Vreeland. The forest lover

How the Canadian landscape painter Emily Carr became a major force in modern art.

Susan Vreeland. Girl in hyacinth blue

Interrelated stories trace the history of a Vermeer masterpiece.

Susan Vreeland. Luncheon of the boating party

Tracks Renoir as he conceives, plans, and paints the 1880 masterpiece that gives this novel its title.

Susan Vreeland. The passion of Artemisia

The life of post-Renaissance painter Artemisia Gentileschi as seen through her masterpiece "Judith".