

## Children's Reading List All About Art & Museums

Spur the imagination of young minds with books that introduce kids to the fascinating world of art and museums!

The staff at the Coral Gables Branch Library created this list, which features a variety of fun stories that kids will love, from favorite storybook characters visiting museums to educational titles about art and more.



### Fiction Titles

***Maisy Goes to the Museum*** by Lucy Cousins

Part of the *Maisy First Experiences* series, *Maisy Goes to the Museum* is a great book for toddlers. It features *Maisy* exploring space, transportation, natural history and even playing dress-up. Best for ages 2 - 5 years

***Sleepover at the Museum*** by Karen LeFrak

Imagine having a sleepover at the museum for your birthday! The perfect story for museum lovers and adventure-seekers alike! Best for ages 3 - 7 years

***Anna at the Art Museum*** by Hazel Hutchins

Filled with representations of paintings from many world-class galleries, this charming book is the perfect prelude to a child's first visit to an art museum. Best for ages 4 - 7 years.

***Mayhem at the Museum*** by Luciano Lozano

Paintings and sculptures come to life when a young girl visits the Metropolitan Museum of Art with her classmates. Best for ages 4 - 7 years.

***Fancy Nancy at the Museum*** by Jane O'Connor

From the *Fancy Nancy* series, *Fancy Nancy at the Museum* centers on the wild ride she took to get to the museum. Best for ages 4 - 8 years

***The Museum of Everything*** by Lynne Rae Perkins

Newbery Medalist Lynne Rae Perkins invites readers on an imagination-fueled journey through the living museum that surrounds us all. The Museum of Everything inspires readers to slow down and appreciate the world. Best for ages 4 - 8 years.

***The Guggenheim Mystery*** by Robin Stevens

The adventure begins as three kids investigate a theft at the Guggenheim Museum. Best for ages 8 - 12 years.

***The Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*** by E.L. Konigsburg

Follow Claudia Kincaid as she decides to run away to a place that is comfortable, beautiful, and elegant - the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. Best for ages 8 - 12 years

### Non-Fiction Titles

***Art Lab for Kids*** by Susan Schwake

A refreshing source of wonderful ideas for creating fine art with children, this step-by-step book offers 52 fun and creative art projects set into weekly lessons that cover everything from drawing to mixed media. Best for ages 4 - 10 years.

***Art and How it Works: An Introduction to Art for Children*** by Ann Kay

This engaging introduction to art appreciation for kids explores art history, themes in art, and art techniques from cave paintings to modern art. Best for ages 7 - 9 years.

***Art Up Close*** by Claire d'Harcourt

This is a fun, interactive book that introduces works of art from museums around the world across different eras and styles. Best for ages 10 - 14 years.

***Looking at Pictures: An Introduction to Art for Young People*** by Joy Richardson

Featuring more than 150 stunning illustrations in full color, combined with clear, entertaining prose, *Looking at Pictures* introduces readers to the basic concepts and vocabulary of painting. Best for ages 10 - 16 years.

These titles are available for checkout at the branch or as eBooks that can be borrowed for free with your library card. Don't have one?

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