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The Museum Effect: Art Museums and the Education and Civilization of Society



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Museums, libraries, and other cultural institutions provide opportunities for people to understand and celebrate who they are, who they were, and who they might become. Cultural institutions vary dramatically in size, nature, and purpose, but they all allow visitors to hold conversations with artists and authors perhaps long dead. In this presentation, the focus is on art museums and how the interactions that individuals have with the works of art in them causes them to reflect on critical questions in their lives.

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