

ART CARDS

During your next visit to the Hammer Museum with your students, you can use these cards to facilitate discussions about the artwork on view in any gallery. This activity is designed to foster personal connections between students and artworks by challenging them to look at art through different lenses.

Instructions for Educators:

1. Divide students into groups of 3 or 4 and have them select a work of art for each category below.

Which artwork surprised you or **made you think**?

Which artwork would you choose to **save in a natural disaster**?

Which artwork would you **give as a gift**?

Which artwork **sparked the most questions**?

2. Students should work together to fill in the art cards. As students look around, discuss, and select works of art, foster conversation among each group by asking questions such as the following:

- *What was thought-provoking about the work, or what about it surprised you?*
- *How did your perception of the artwork change when you were required to save one? Why was that artwork the most important to save?*
- *Why would the artwork you chose be a good gift? Is it different than something you would put in your own home? If someone gave it to you as a gift, would you like it?*
- *After talking with your classmates about your questions about the work, did it change the way you feel?*
- *Do your favorite or least favorite works fall into any of the four categories?*
- *If you could create another category, what would it be?*

3. When concluding the activity, reconvene students in a large group to give them time to share. Discuss the differences in each group's selections and point out any similarities.

**WHICH ARTWORK WOULD YOU CHOOSE
TO SAVE IN A NATURAL DISASTER?**

Title of selected work:

Artist name:

Why did you select this work?

WHICH ARTWORK WOULD YOU GIVE AS A GIFT?

Title of selected work:

Artist name:

Why did you select this work?

**WHICH ARTWORK SURPRISED YOU
OR MADE YOU THINK?**

Title of selected work:

Artist name:

Why did you select this work?

WHICH ARTWORK SPARKED THE MOST QUESTIONS?

Title of selected work:

Artist name:

Why did you select this work?
