

# MOTHER'S DAY

Famous Portraits



## **Egyptian woman UNKNOWN ARTIST 100-125AD**

- They used an ancient type of paint that was pigment mixed with beeswax.
- Painted on a sarcophagus (decorated coffin).

What does the way she's dressed show?

Would she have wanted to be portrayed as a noble lady?

# Mona Lisa

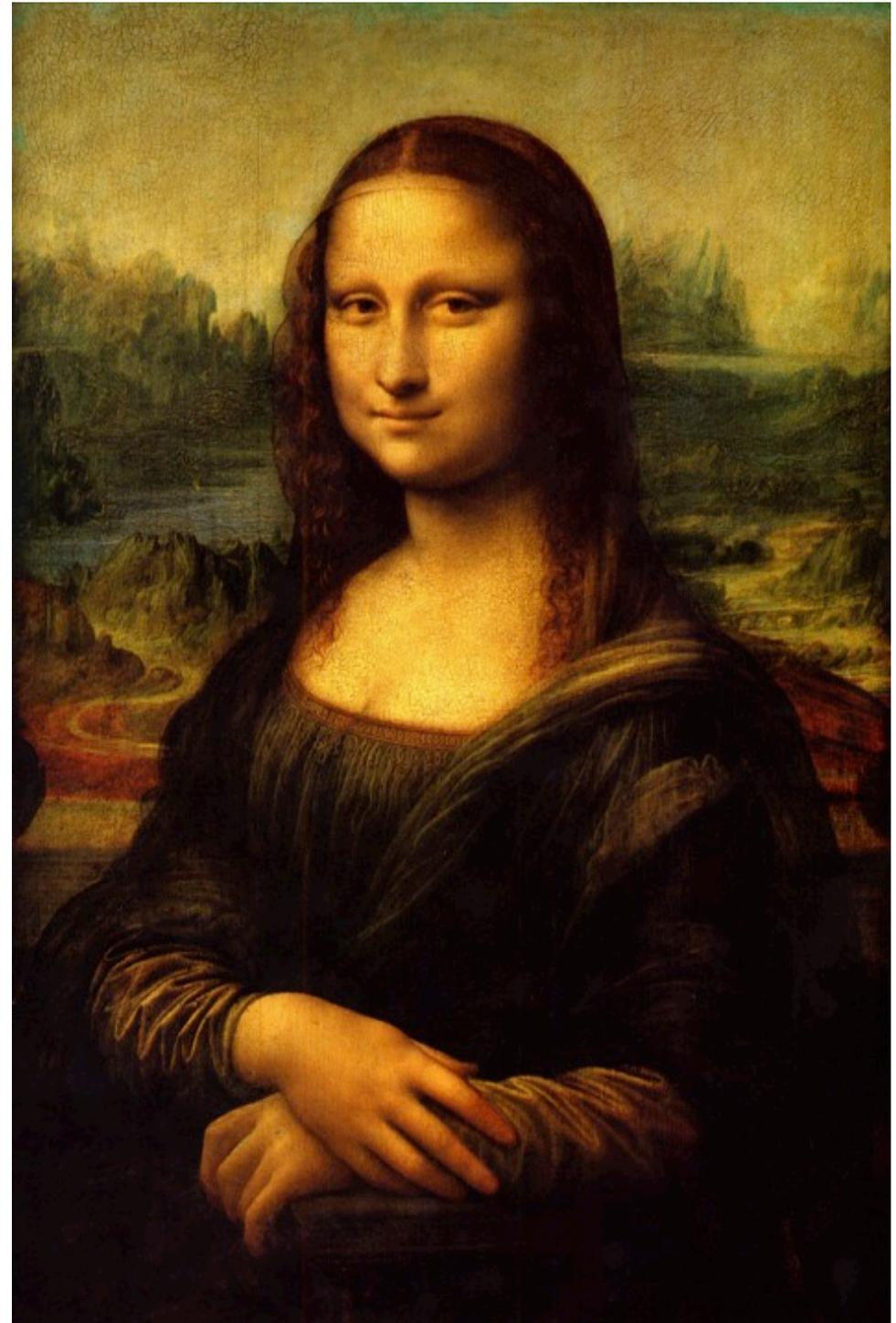
## LEONARDO DA VINCI

### 1503

- Nobody knows exactly who the woman in the picture was.
- She looks content and relaxed in the photo.

She is softly smiling in the photo, would you draw your mother smiling?

What background will you use for your mother's portrait?





# The Botti Madonna

## ANDREA DEL SARTO

### 1528-1530

- Shows a popular subject – Madonna and Child / Mary and Jesus

Would you have your mother with anyone else?  
You or a brother/sister?

# Portrait of the Artist's Mother PAUL CÉZANNE 1866

- Cézanne's style was heavy brushstrokes which comes through in this picture of his mother.
- This is a very dark/black painting with the only detail in the face.

Would you have your mother looking forward or away?

What about using colour in your portrait?



# Arrangement in Grey and Black

## JAMES WHISTLER

Circa 1871



- Portrait has been called the universal symbol of motherhood. In 1934 it was used on a stamp for American Mother's Day.
- Whistler painted his mother's full body from the side sitting in a chair.

Would you include your mother's whole body in the portrait?

Whilster's mother is painted in her home, would you draw your mother at your home?

# The Cradle

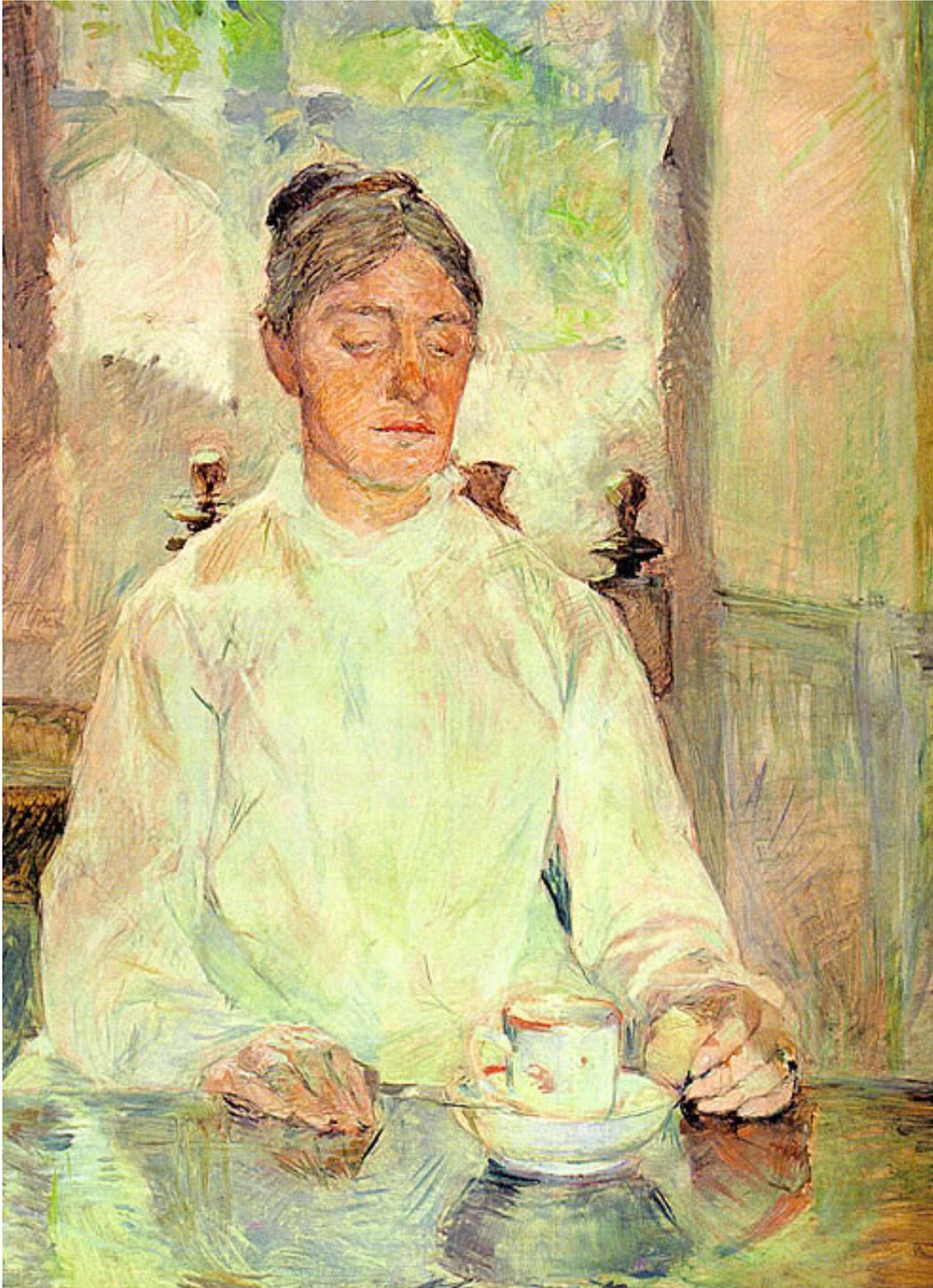
## BERTHE MORISOT

### 1872

- Shows the artist's sister watching over her sleeping daughter.

This painting shows the fashions and interiors of France at the time it was painted. How could you show the time of when your portrait is from?





**Portrait de la comtesse  
Adele de Toulouse-Lautrec  
HENRI DE TOULOUSE-LAUTREC  
1883**

- Lautrec painted this portrait of his mother when he was only 19.

This portrait shows Lautrec's mother deep in thought and drinking tea. What about drawing your mother doing something she enjoys?

# Portrait of Artists Mother

## VINCENT VAN GOGH

### 1888

- The only painting Van Gogh ever did of a family member.
- He painted his mother smiling as he wanted to remember her this way.

Van Gogh painted this portrait from a photograph, why not look at a photo of your mother to copy?





# **Mrs Robert S. Cassatt The Artists Mother MARY CASSATT 1889**

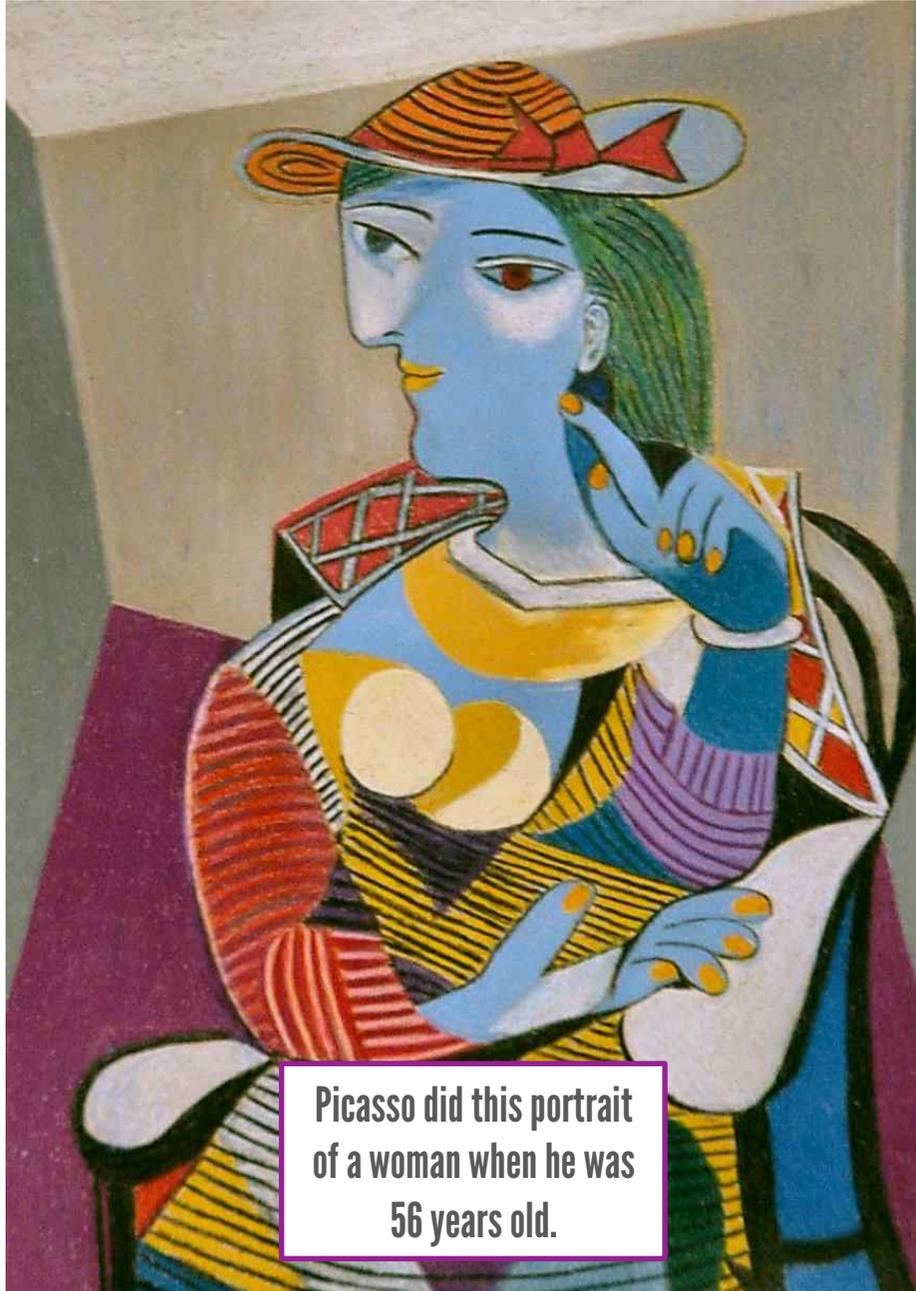
- Cassatt was born in America but spent most of her life in France as it was the centre of the art world at the time.

In this portrait Cassatt's mother looks quite sad.  
Will you show your mothers feelings in the  
portrait?

Seated Woman  
1937

# PABLO PICASSO

Sketch of Artist's Mother  
1896



Picasso did this portrait of a woman when he was 56 years old.



Picasso did this portrait of his mother when he was only 14 years old.

# The Painter's Family

## HENRI MATISSE

### 1911



- Matisse used lots of bold colours and patterns in his work.

Here Matisse has included his family members playing games in their home. What does your mother enjoy doing in her spare time? Perhaps you could draw her doing an activity?

# Mother and Child

## TAMARA DE LEMPICKA

### 1931

- Lempicka fled Poland and painted in Paris between the first and second world wars.

In this portrait you can see the side of the mother and baby's faces. Why don't you draw your mother from a different angle?





# **The Painter's Mother**

## **JOSEPH DELANEY**

### **1941**

- This was an unplanned portrait when Delaney felt he had to “capture his mother in a painting”.

What would you include that ‘captured’ your mother's look, hair, clothes, face?

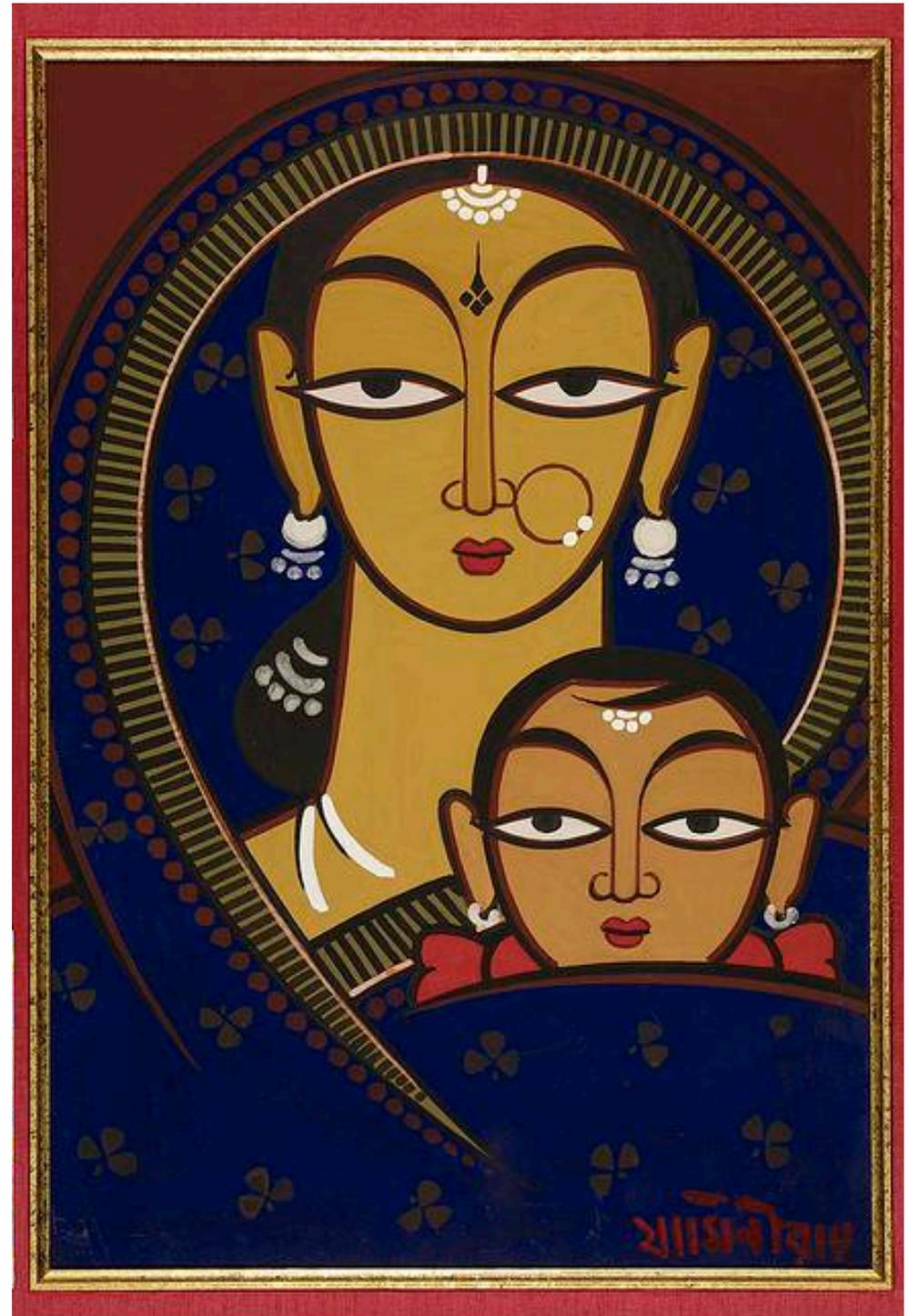
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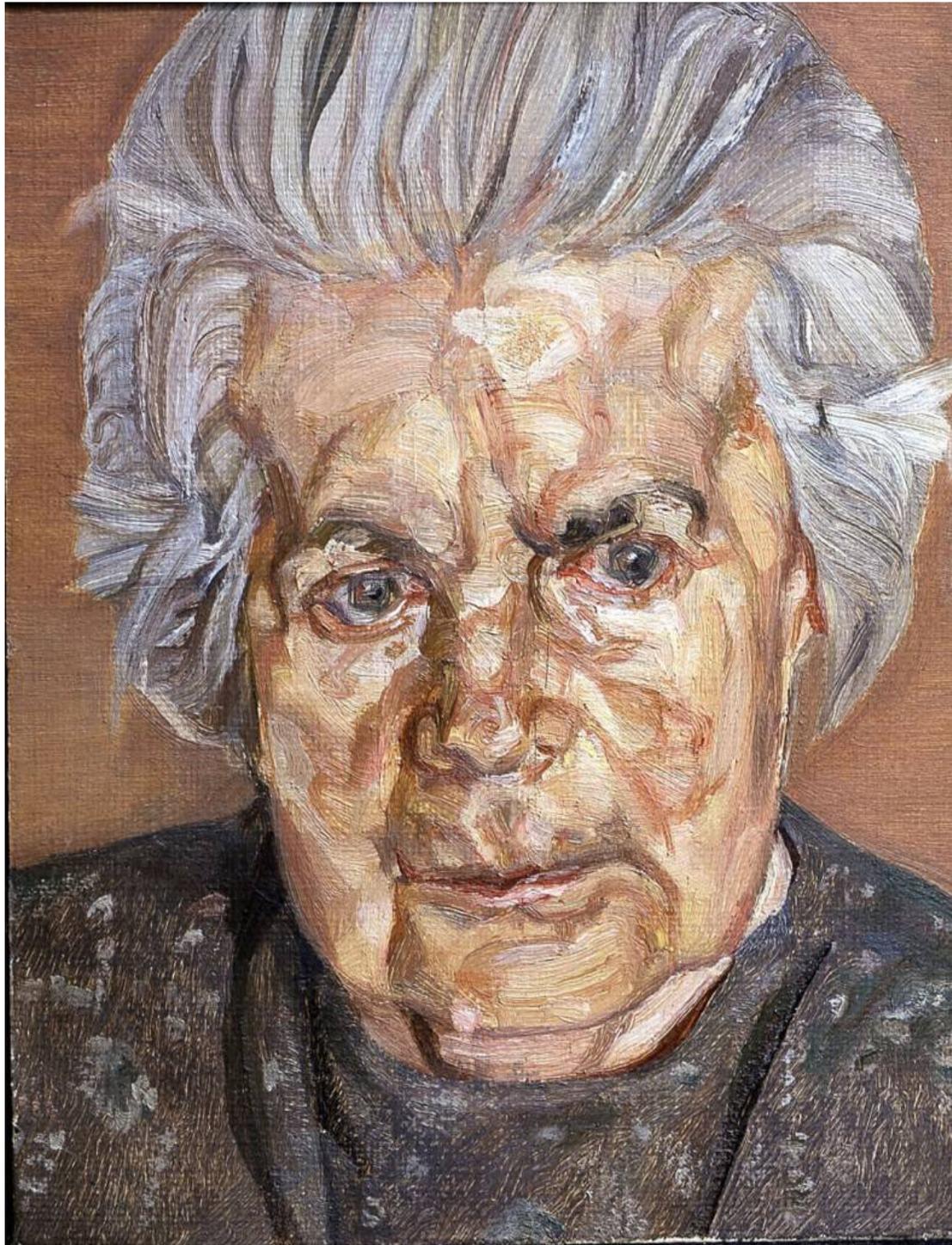
JAMINI ROY

1944

- Roy painted in and around India.
- He painted ordinary men and women from small villages.

How could you show your mothers background or culture?





# The Painters Mother II

## LUCIAN FREUD

1972

- Freud used thick brush strokes and layered paint.

Here is a very close up of Freud's mothers face, perhaps you want to draw your own mother's face so it fills the whole piece of paper?



## **Julia Warhol ANDY WARHOL 1974**

- Warhol used silk screens to create his iconic images.

What materials and colours will you use to portray your mother?

# Portrait of the Artists Mother

## DAVID HOCKNEY

### 1985

- Hockney experimented with photos to show every angle of his mothers face.

What about doing a collage for your picture? Take different media and materials to create a likeness of your mother.





# **Dorelia Seated and Holding Flowers**

**AUGUSTUS JOHN  
1912**

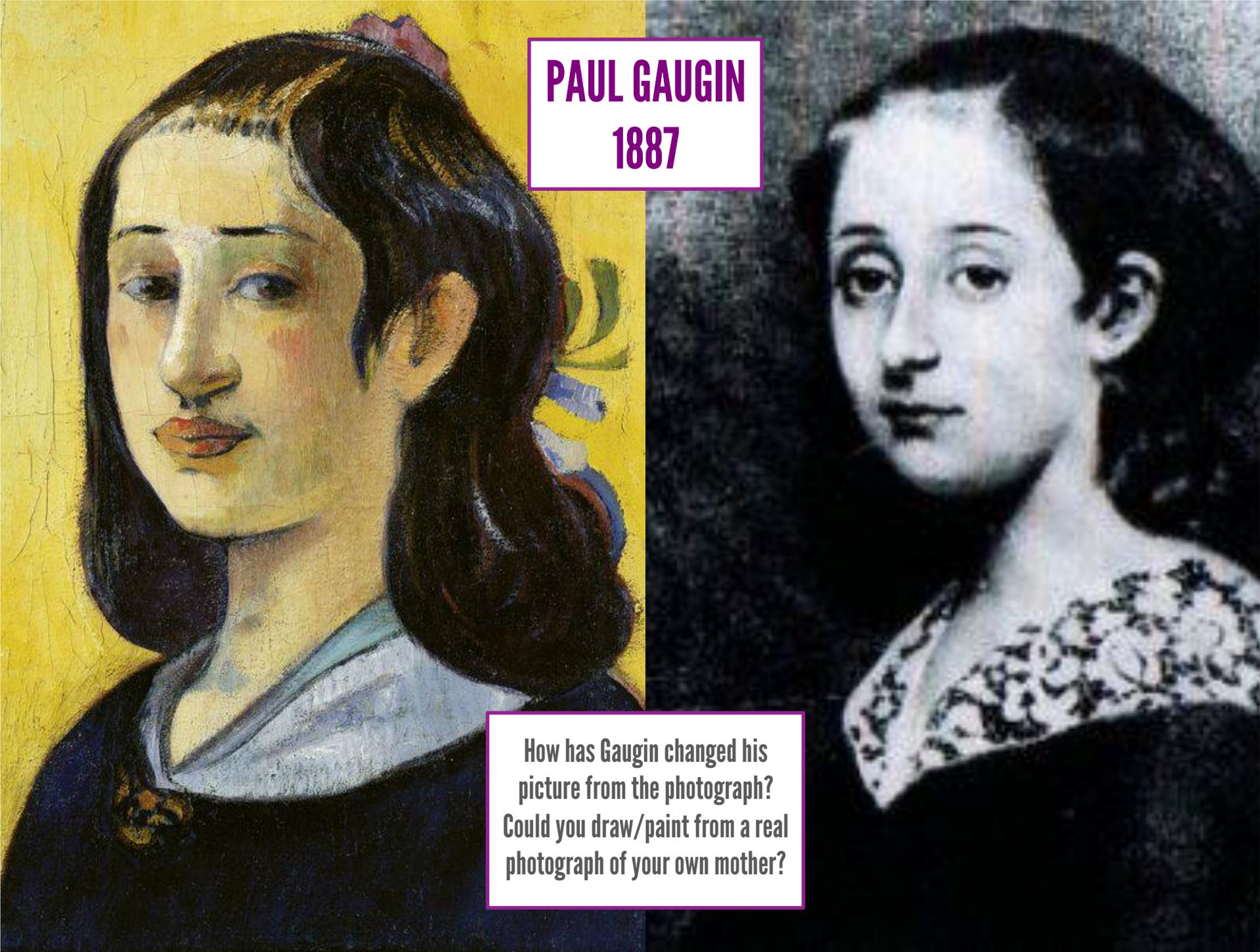
- Augustus John is one of the most famous Welsh artists in history.
- He used a new technique called oil sketching.

This woman looks like she's holding a baby but in fact it's a bunch of flowers. Try to think about ways in which you can portray motherhood in your portrait.

**My Mother at 18 and 88. TOM PHILLIPS. 1989**



**Painted his mother here as a young and old woman. Where and when would you portray your own mother?**



**PAUL GAUGUIN**  
**1887**

How has Gauguin changed his picture from the photograph?  
Could you draw/paint from a real photograph of your own mother?

**My Mother Alone in Her Dining Room**  
**ANTHONY GREEN**



What about drawing your mother in your house? What objects could you include in the portrait?