


# March

## *Youth Art Month!*

<b>1</b>	Youth Art Month Begins! Wear a  for ART.
<b>2</b>	One of the three famous pyramids near Giza in Egypt was opened by archeologists on March 2, 1918. It stands almost as tall as a 50 story building. Do you know what an archaeologist does?
<b>3</b>	In Japan today is "Dolls Day". Every March 3rd special dolls are displayed in prominent places in the Japanese home. The day is called HINA MATSURI. Do you have any very old or special dolls in your home?
<b>4</b>	Make a drawing today - send it to someone special as a surprise! Pretend you are an artist who designs greeting cards or postcards.
<b>5</b>	One of America's first ILLUSTRATORS was born March 5, 1953. His name is Howard Pyle and he drew the illustrations for The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood.
<b>6</b>	Happy Birthday Michelangelo! Do you know what the word SCULPTURE means? Michelangelo did some wonderful pieces of sculpture. Do you know what else he is famous for?
<b>7</b>	Here's a clue to yesterday's question... Michelangelo painted a mural in a chapel in the Vatican. Do you know the name of the painting?
<b>8</b>	Do you know who painted 'Whistler's Mother'? Could you draw a picture of your mother doing something she does well?
<b>9</b>	INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - How many women artists do you know? What unusual creations did Louise Nevelson make? (Hint: Michelangelo might have enjoyed her work!)
<b>10</b>	Do you have a piece of artwork at home? What is it and how has it been made? Ask if you can share it with your class.
<b>11</b>	Draw the funniest thing that happened to you during the past week. Would you like to be a cartoonist?
<b>12</b>	Don't watch TV all day... How about making a kite for the gusty winds of March? There are beautiful kites made in Asian countries. Look in your library for ideas.
<b>13</b>	This is UNCLE SAM DAY - we know what HE looks like - use your imagination and create AUNT SAM!
<b>14</b>	Are you ready for St. Patrick's Day? Make a card for someone and design it with a shamrock. Maybe you could even write an Irish verse inside. Artists work for greeting card companies.
<b>15</b>	March 15 is Buzzard Day in Hinckley, OH. Do you know the name of the artist who was particularly known for his realistic drawings of birds? He has a society named after him.
<b>16</b>	Robert Goddard launched his first liquid fuel rocket on March 16, 1926 at the age of 16. Could you construct an imaginary rocket from scrap materials?

<b>17</b>	HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY - What two primary colors make green when mixed together? This color is a cool color! Add an 'O to your name and become Irish for the day.
<b>18</b>	Would you like to redesign our school? What would it look like? An architect designs buildings - make a new plan for an ideal school. Don't forget about the art room!
<b>19</b>	Make today a FUN DAY from beginning to end! Tell your teacher a joke... just make sure it's a good one!
<b>20</b>	HIEROGLYPHICS were used by Egyptians to communicate. Do you know what that word means? Look it up and make your own set of hieroglyphics.
<b>21</b>	Did you finish your hieroglyphics? Make a copy for your class so everyone can exchange secret messages.
<b>22</b>	Check the Art Room for a secret message in Hieroglyphics. Break the code and put your answer in the "I Know It All" box. A winner will be drawn.
<b>23</b>	Draw your own comic strip. Maybe you could use real people you know as inspiration for your characters. Remember - comics make us smile - don't hurt people's feelings.
<b>24</b>	MARCH MUSEUM DAY - The National Gallery of Art opened in Washington, D.C. on this day in 1937. Make your room a museum - hang favorite pictures and display favorite objects. Invite your friends to see it.
<b>25</b>	GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY - Greek Mythology was often used by artists as they developed ideas for a work of art. Could you develop a modern myth and draw the hero or heroine? Check out the Greek alphabet in the Art Room.
<b>26</b>	This is ROBERT FROST'S birthday. Do you know the poem, 'The Road Not Taken' or 'Stopping by a Woods on a Snowy Evening'? These are so descriptive, it's almost like a painting! Paint a landscape in honor of Frost.
<b>27</b>	PHOTOGRAPHY DAY - You can make art with a camera! Ask your parents if you may use their camera and experiment with some unusual pictures. Photograph someone upside down!
<b>28</b>	SPRING CLEANING DAY - Why use soap suds only for cleaning? Have fun and blow bubbles instead - put the soapy water in a large flat pan and shape a coat hanger into a large circle and try to make BIG BUBBLES!
<b>29</b>	Do you remember MUTT and JEFF in the comics? (Ask your parents!) One was short and one was tall. Can you show contrast in your drawings? How?
<b>30</b>	VINCENT VAN GOGH'S BIRTHDAY - (1853-1890) What a marvelous artist! Make a birthday cake for him and pretend you can paint with the frosting like he used paints.
<b>31</b>	Did March go out like a lamb or a lion? Animals are fun to draw. What things can you do with texture to make animals appear realistic? What is your favorite animal to draw?