

Art Appreciation

Georges Seurat was born in Paris in 1859 and spent his lifetime studying color. He used a method of painting which used dots of paint called "pointillism." If you look at his paintings up close, all you see are dots. But, when you move back, your eyes form the dots into a picture. When two colors are right next to each other, your eye mixes them in a process called "optical mixing."

One of his famous paintings is called Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grand Jatte (more commonly known as "Sunday in the Park"). It is a very large painting that took him over two years to complete. It has over 3 million DOTS!

Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte - Georges Seurat

