Meet Charles and Anna Taft, the founders of the Taft Museum of Art.

They loved Cincinnati and were active in the community. Charles and Anna had many interests. Charles owned and was editor of a local newspaper, owned two different baseball teams, and often entertained his half-brother, President William Howard Taft, at his downtown Cincinnati home. Anna loved arts and culture. She was a major supporter of the symphony, opera, and zoo.

WHAT ARE YOUR INTERESTS OR HOBBIES?

Charles and Anna used their special talents and resources to make their community a better place to live.

WHAT TALENTS OR RESOURCES DO YOU HAVE? HOW CAN YOU HELP POSITIVELY IMPACT YOUR COMMUNITY?

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When Anna inherited a large fortune from her father, she and Charles began collecting art. They wanted to buy works that would inspire artists and artisans in Cincinnati. Their collection contains what they considered the best art of their time: European and American paintings, Chinese porcelain, and decorative objects like watches.

**TAKE A WALK THROUGH THE EXHIBITION AND BUILD YOUR OWN COLLECTION.**
Choose one artwork from each category and draw it or write down what it is.

- **WATCH**
- **PORCELAIN**
- **PAINTINGS**
- **YOUR ART**

Now, imagine you can add something new to the collection. What would you add to inspire people today?