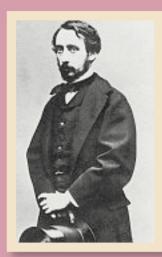


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So many beautiful images...



Edgar Degas lived from 1834 to 1917. He is twentysix years old in this picture.

... were painted by Edgar Degas (he was French and his name is pronounced without the "s"). But despite this, the famous painter from Paris was always sad and lonely. His father even allowed him to discontinue his study of law to study art. And even while he was still alive Edgar's paintings earned him a lot of money, which was not always true for artists. Maybe he suspected that he would later almost completely lose his sight... And maybe this is why he liked going to the theater so much—there, he could forget his troubles. Looking at his magical pictures makes us happy, too!



This is what Edgar looked like at seventy-six.

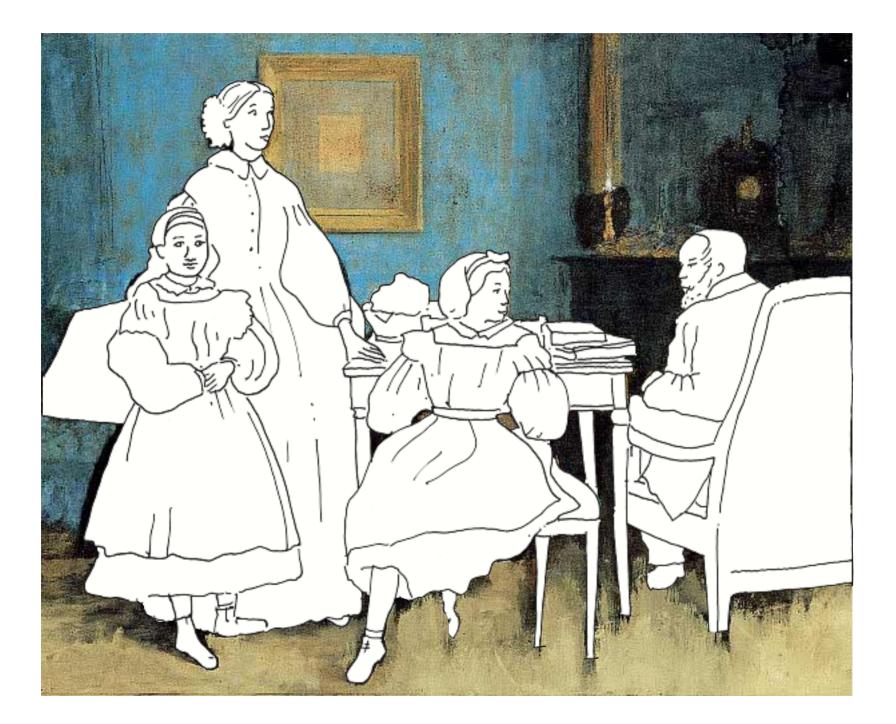


Edgar lived in the house on the left.

Would you like to draw him smiling here?



This is how Edgar Degas portrayed himself in 1857 at the age of twenty-three. Why does he look so sad?



Here Degas painted his aunt Laura Bellelli and her family. This picture made the young painter famous! This is Edgar's sister Thérèse. You can see the family resemblance in her beautiful sad eyes. Edgar also had another sister and two brothers. What might they have looked like?





Ballet dancers were Degas' favorite motif. Who else is on stage?