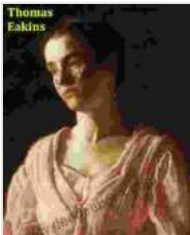


# 125 Color Paintings of Thomas Eakins: A Visual Exploration of an American Master

Thomas Cowperthwait Eakins (1844-1916) was an American realist painter, sculptor, and photographer known for his detailed and often unflinching depictions of everyday life. Born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Eakins studied art at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and later in Paris. He was a member of the National Academy of Design and the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Eakins's work is characterized by its realism, attention to detail, and use of strong chiaroscuro. He was a master of anatomy and often used his paintings to explore the human body. His subjects ranged from everyday people to athletes, scientists, and musicians.



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Eakins was a prolific artist, producing over 1,000 paintings, sculptures, and photographs. His work is represented in major museums around the world, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.

This article presents a selection of 125 of Eakins's most famous and visually striking color paintings. These works offer a comprehensive overview of his career and demonstrate his mastery of the medium.

### **1. Gross Clinic (1875)**



The Gross Clinic is one of Eakins's most famous and controversial paintings. It depicts the renowned surgeon Dr. Samuel D. Gross performing surgery on a young patient in front of a group of medical students.

The painting is unflinchingly realistic, capturing the blood and gore of the surgery. Eakins's use of chiaroscuro highlights the drama of the moment,

focusing the viewer's attention on the surgeon's hands and the patient's face.

## **2. The Agnew Clinic (1889)**



The Agnew Clinic is another of Eakins's famous surgical scenes. It depicts Dr. David Hayes Agnew performing a mastectomy on a woman in front of a group of medical students.

The painting is more subdued than *The Gross Clinic*, but it is equally powerful. Eakins's attention to detail is evident in the depiction of the surgical instruments and the woman's anatomy.

## **3. The Swimming Hole (1885)**



The Swimming Hole is one of Eakins's most famous paintings of everyday life. It depicts a group of young boys swimming in a river on a hot summer day.

The painting is notable for its realism and its depiction of the human body. Eakins's use of light and shadow creates a sense of depth and atmosphere, and the boys' expressions are full of life and energy.

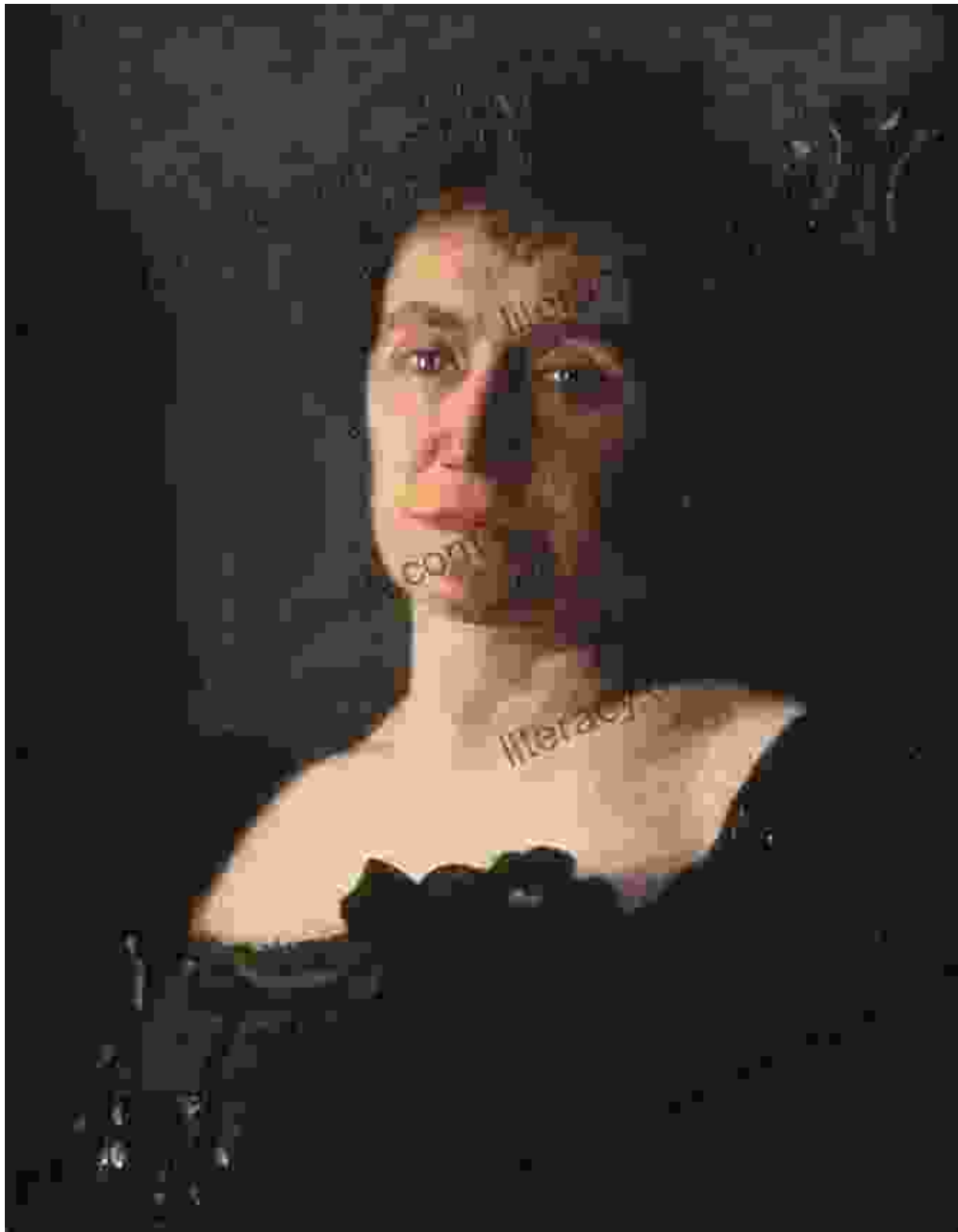
#### **4. The Thinker (1877)**



The Thinker is one of Eakins's most famous portraits. It depicts a man sitting in a chair, deep in thought.

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## 5. Mrs. Lloyd Griscom (1898)



Mrs. Lloyd Griscom is one of Eakins's most famous portraits of a woman. It depicts a woman sitting in a chair, dressed in a black dress.

The painting is notable for its realism and its depiction of the human body. Eakins's use of light and shadow creates a sense of depth and atmosphere, and the woman's expression is full of grace and dignity.

## 6. Max Schmitt in a Single Scull (1871)



Max Schmitt in a Single Scull is one of Eakins's most famous paintings of a sporting event. It depicts the rower Max Schmitt rowing on the Schuylkill River.

The painting is notable for its realism and its depiction of the human body. Eakins's use of light and shadow creates a sense of depth and atmosphere, and Schmitt's expression is full of determination and focus.

## 7. The Biglin Brothers Racing (1873)





The Biglin Brothers Racing is one of Eakins's most famous paintings of a sporting event. It depicts the Biglin brothers rowing on the Schuylkill River.

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## **8. The Cello Player (1896)**



The Cello Player is one of Eakins's most famous paintings of a musician. It depicts a woman playing the cello.

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## 9. The Archaeologist (1896)

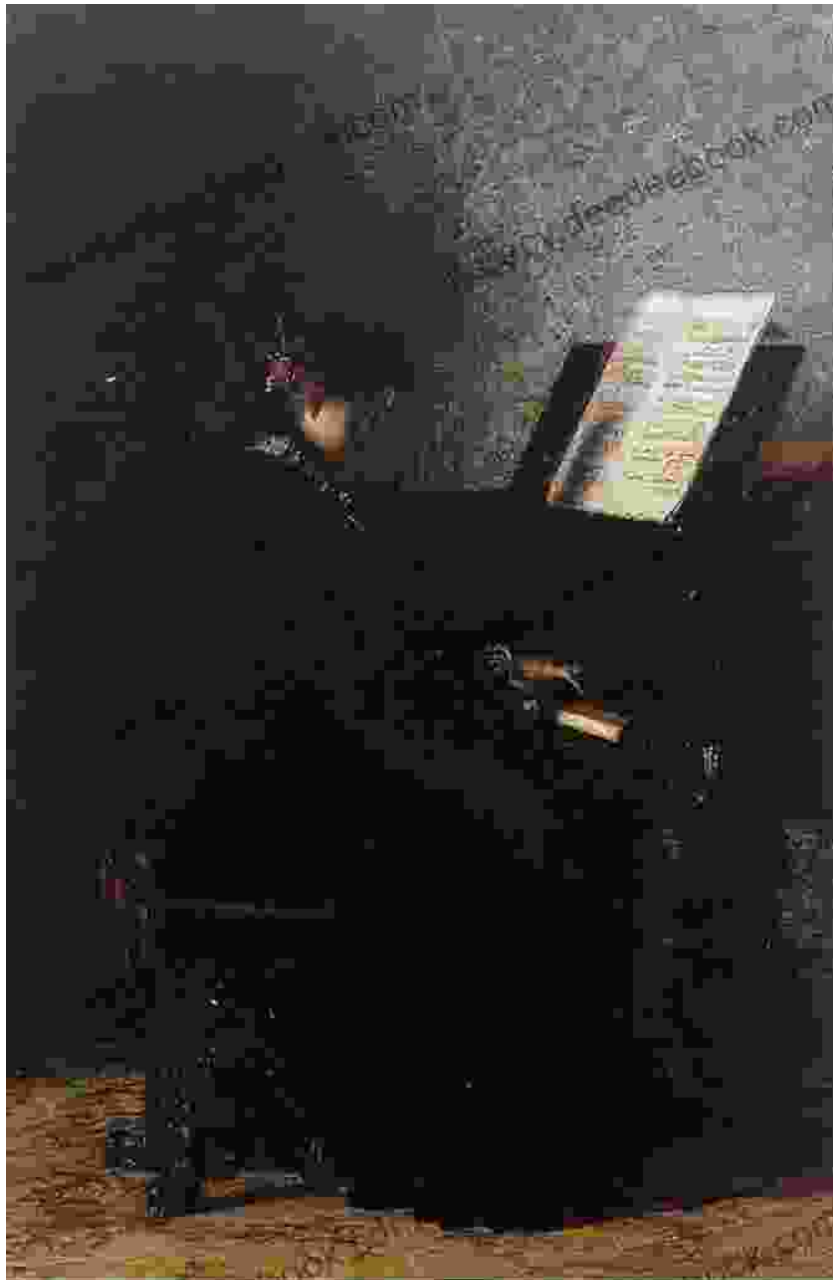


The Archaeologist is one of Eakins's most famous paintings of a scientist. It depicts a man sitting in a chair, studying a piece of pottery.

The painting is notable for its realism and its depiction of the human body. Eakins's use of light and shadow creates a sense of depth and

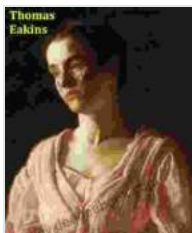
atmosphere, and the man's expression is full of curiosity and thoughtfulness.

## 10. The Piano Lesson (1884)



The Piano Lesson is one of Eakins's most famous paintings of a musical scene. It depicts a mother teaching her daughter how to play the piano.

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