

A 'Historically' Fun Art Project



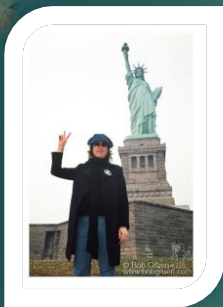
The Statue of Liberty is a Work of Art Create *Your Own Liberty Masterpiece*

On October 28, 1886, thousands gathered in New York Harbor for the unveiling of the *Statue of Liberty*. Join The Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation to celebrate Lady Liberty's birthday by creating your own Statue of Liberty masterpiece.

The Statue of Liberty is indeed a global icon. And while most view her simply as a must-see tourist attraction, *Liberty Enlightening the World* (the Statue's official name) is first and foremost a work of art. From the folds of her gown to the contours of her face to her sheer magnitude, Lady Liberty's beauty is truly inspiring.

The Statue of Liberty was designed by French Sculptor Frédéric-Auguste Bartholdi. It was a gift from the people of France to the people of the U.S. to celebrate the nations' long-standing relationship, commemorate America's centennial, and recognize the abolishment of slavery.

Bartholdi's colossal artwork is awash with symbolism. The spikes of her crown evoke sun rays extending out to the world. The tablet notes American independence with the inscription July 4, 1776, in Roman numerals. A broken shackle and chains at the Statue's foot represent freedom from bondage.



Photography, paintings, fashion, and replica sculptures are just a few examples of how artists have interpreted the monument.

WHAT'S YOUR VISION?

Submit your creation to WorkofArt@LibertyEllisFoundation.org.

The Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation will share select submissions on its website and social media.

Note: This is not a contest or competition.

To learn more about the Statue of Liberty go to StatueOfLiberty.org & follow @StatueEllisFdn