

# Ernst Gombrich

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Discovery*

There really is no such thing as art. There are only artists.

~Ernst Gombrich

Anyone who can handle a needle convincingly can make us see a thread which is not there.

~Ernst Gombrich

Seeing depends on knowledge / And knowledge, of course, on your college / But when you are erudite and wise / What matters is to use your eyes.

~Ernst Gombrich

Art does not copy nature - it suggests it.

~Ernst Gombrich

All art is image making and all image making is the creation of substitutes.

~Ernst Gombrich

One cannot explain the existence of genius. It is better to enjoy it.

~Ernst Gombrich

The Painter must leave the beholder something to guess.

~Ernst Gombrich

If you ask me what the world looks like to me, it looks like a painting by Pissarro.

~Ernst Gombrich

All artistic discoveries are discoveries not of likenesses but of equivalencies which enable us to see reality in terms of an image and an image in terms of reality.

~Ernst Gombrich

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