

Museum Stories  
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Joseph Stella, *The Joy of Living*, 1940, Oil on canvas

This week, Museum Stories is about gift giving. Take a few minutes to watch the short video.

**LOOK**

As you look carefully at this picture, do you see the girl in the bright yellow dress? What is the girl doing? Can you pretend to carry a pot of flowers? Be careful not to drop the pot!

It looks a bit like the girl is giving the pot of flowers to someone. Is she giving a gift? What do you like to give your friends and family as a gift? What kind of gifts do you like to get from friends and family?

**READ**

This week the book is *Pip and Squeak* by Ian Schoenherr. It is the story of two mice who are going to a party for their friend, Gus. But, they forget to bring their gift (a wrapped chunk of delicious cheese), so they search for something else to give Gus as they make their way to the party. Your child will love seeing their gift ideas, like a pink flamingo, buried in the snow. They finally decide on a carrot that is being used as a snowman's nose and, it turns out, that it's the perfect present for Gus... because he is a bunny and carrots are his favorite snack.

**MAKE**

Follow along with the video to make your own Christmas mouse.