



# Arty Mouse's Still Life Challenge

A still life is a work of art that shows objects that don't move—like fruit, flowers, cups, and other things! The Kalamazoo Institute of Arts has several still life paintings in its collection. Look at these still life examples... what items do you see?



*Still Life with Egg Cups, Eggs, and Bowl*, 1968-1969, William H. Bailey, Collection of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts



*June*, 1999, Janet Fish, Collection of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts

## Play the Still Life Scavenger Hunt!

**To make your own still life, you will need to find the following items in your house.**

- A plant (real, plastic, toy, or handmade!)
- Food (such as fruit, a cookie, eggs, or toy food)
- A drink
- A bowl or plate
- A toy
- Something you love

## Once you have all your items, think about:

How will you put your items together? Try different arrangements. Maybe arrange them by color or shape?

Should the objects overlap? On what surface?

## When You Are Finished:

- Take a picture and send it to the KIA with the hashtag #KIACollectionConnection
- Try drawing or painting your creation!

Check out Arty's still life! What items did Arty use?

