

## Reading an Exhibit Label

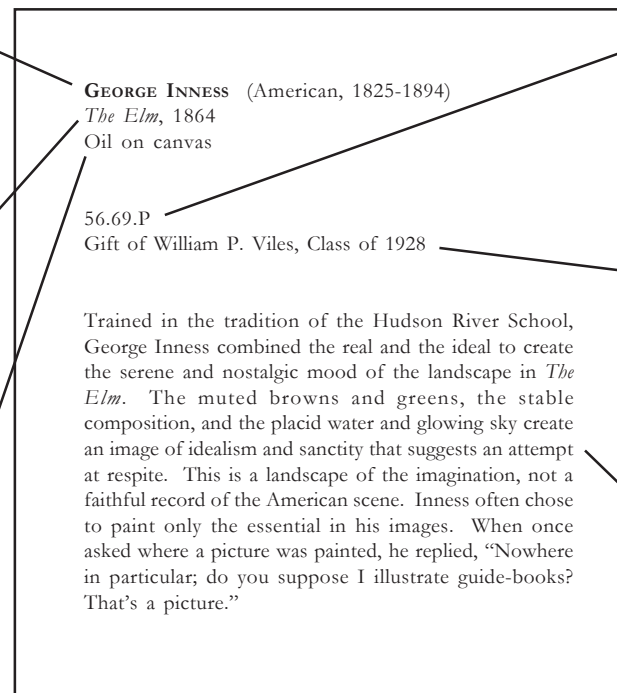
Museums can offer a great deal of information about the objects on display.

Use the diagram below to see what you can learn from an exhibit label:

The artist's name is always listed first, in bold letters. This is followed by the artist's nationality and life dates in parentheses.

The title is listed in italics on the second line, followed by the year the work was completed.

The medium, i.e., the methods and/or material the object was made from, is listed on the third line.



If the museum owns the artwork, then the accession number is listed on the first line of the second section. If the object is on temporary loan, this line might be omitted.

The credit line, listing the donor or lender, is next.

Discussion of the artist, the object, or the process of making it is described in the paragraph(s) that may follow.