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Study Sheet: Italy: Center of the Renaissance

Why did patrons commission art?

To display their wealth and splendor

Who were the most famous Florentine patrons?

The Medici family

How was private patronage different from art commissioned by the church?

Patrons allowed artists to explore knowledge, themes, and styles that the church didn't always agree with. Artists could paint what they wanted to in the way they wanted to.

Why did composition become a new challenge for Renaissance artists?

The depth created through perspective and foreshortening required a balanced composition.

In Renaissance painting, what two things were essential to a good composition?

Balance and symmetry

If a painting has both balance and symmetry, what is accomplished?

Accurate proportion

What was the main difference between Florentine and Venetian artists?

Florentine painters wanted to communicate realistic scenes, while Venetian artists wanted to communicate emotion and activate the senses.

Which painter pioneered the Venetian style centered around movement and emotion?

Bellini

How did Titian add drama to his paintings?

Through his use of robust colors and dynamic movement