# Reinventing Narratives of The Met Museum

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# What can we find out from the Met Museum's catalog dataset?

Year of Accession

Methods of Acquisition and Credit Donor

A Culture-based curatorial logic



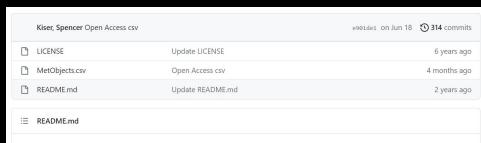
## A curatorial logic based on cultural context:

- Does it contribute colonialism?
- Does it lead to inequality between cultures?
- Does it leave part of the message unpresented?

- Is it too traditional and boring?

# Datasets: to reveal the unpresented information

## The Met Museum



## The Metropolitan Museum of Art Open Access CSV @

The Metropolitan Museum of Art presents over 5,000 years of art from around the world for everyone to experience and enjoy. The Museum lives in two iconic sites in New York City—The Met Fifth Avenue and The Met Cloisters. Millions of people also take part in The Met experience online.

Since it was founded in 1870, The Met has always aspired to be more than a treasury of rare and beautiful objects. Every day, art comes alive in the Museum's galleries and through its exhibitions and events, revealing both new ideas and unexpected connections across time and across cultures.

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## 484,956 artworks



#### Location Info.

- Gallery Number —> Location in the museum (on exhibition or not)
- **Department** —> American/Arms and Armor/Asian/Costume/European/Gre Roman/Photographs/Africa, Oceania, Americas/Ancient Near Eastern/Medieval/Egyptian/Drawings and Prints/Islamic/Modern and Contemporary/Musical Instruments/Private Collection/Libraries

#### Artist Info.

- Constituent ID
- Artist Role —> Maker/Designer/Design
   House/Artist/Decorator/Factory/Engraver/Manufactory/Enameler/Author/Printer
   r/Illustrator/Architect/Sitter/Etcher/Translator/Binder/Draftman
- Artist Display Name
- Artist Display Bio
- Artist Nationality
- Artist Begin Date
- Artist End Date
- Artist Gender (Default Male)
- Artist Wikidata URL

#### Time Info.

- AccessionYear
- Period (Ancient Culture: Asian/Greek Roman/NearEastern/Egyptian)
- Object Date
- Object Begin Date
- Object End Date

### Background Info.

- Culture (most are blank)
- Credit Line(Gift/Purchase/ Fund/Bequest/ Museum Accession)
- City/State/County/Country/ Region/Subregion/Locale/ Locus/Excavation/River/ Classification(most are blank)
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