**Abstract** art used to be **controversial**. On one hand, the artists stopped painting **delicate** **figure**s but **attempt**ed to **adopt** special **technique**s to give people different **visual** impacts. **On the other hand**, their works, including **sculpture**s **carve**d out of **marble** or **fragile** **clay**, were all with a **specific** **aim** of showing feelings. Some **conventional** **scholar**s who were **allergic to** abstract art said it was **evident**ly **ridiculous** and neither art nor **geometry**. Their Traditional Art **Committee** **predict**ed its soon disappearing.

But nowadays, abstract art has become part of the **permanent** **possessions** of **contemporary** **civilization**. **Galleries** along the Madison **Avenue** give scores of **superb** **exhibition**s on **typical** abstract works, **appeal**ing **to** many who have a **preference** for abstract art. The **Shadow** of **Egypt**, a **café** in this **district**, has become the home to those **aggressive** abstract artists. **Consequently**, it is not a **coincidence** for you to meet one of these artists of great **reputation** **in the flesh**. They are asked for **signature**s and given **bunch**es of **fragrant** flowers plus they are given **a great deal** of praise by their **faithful** fans.

**抽象**艺术曾经颇**受争议**，一方面，抽象艺术家们不再画**精致的画像**，而是**试图**采用特别的**技巧**给人们以不同的**视觉**冲击；**另外一方面**，他们的作品，包括用**大理石**和**易碎的黏土雕刻**出来的**雕像**，都以表达感情为其**明确的目的**。有些**对**抽象艺术**反感**的**传统学者**说抽象艺术是极其**明显地荒谬可笑**，说它既不是艺术，又不是**几何学**，他们的传统艺术**委员会**还**预言**了它的迅速消失。

但是到了今天，抽象艺术已经成为**当代文明永久财产**的一部分，麦迪逊**大道**的**画廊**为**典型的**抽象艺术作品举办了许多**出色的展览**，**吸引**了许多对抽象艺术有**偏爱**的人。这个区中有家叫**埃及**之**影**的**咖啡馆**已经成为那些**有进取精神的**抽象艺术家们活动的根据地，**所以**，亲眼所见一位**名声**极大的艺术家**本人**并不是什么**巧合**的事，他们被**忠实的**崇拜者索取签名，并被给予成**束**的**芬芳**花朵和**大量的**赞扬。