

How did *Néo-Grec* paintings differ from Neoclassical history paintings?

Néo-Grec paintings were styled as “a trend in painting and interior design aimed at the recreating daily life in Classical antiquity” (278). In other words, Néo-Grec paintings illustrated everyday life back during classical times that were created for mostly decorations of an indoor area, such as a household or living area. Some paintings of the Néo-Grec style also had “all the qualities of a genre painting” (278-279), due to the fact they usually represent scenes from everyday life. Neoclassical history paintings represented larger, historical scenes from back in the day that presented greater moral values when compared to Néo-Grec paintings. Daily life was not commonly painted of Neoclassical history paintings and were usually commissioned before they were painted. Even though Néo-Grec paintings and Neoclassical paintings were oriented during the Neoclassical times, their subject matter differs from historical events to everyday life.