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Hi Fellow art lover,.

What's better - art that you love, or art that matches the furniture?



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Oil painting by Holly Van Hart



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The truth is, there's a role for each. Choosing art to match the furniture happens all the time and is perfectly fine. But it's a lot more thrilling to fill your home with art that you love.

Falling in love with a piece of art is like falling in love with a boyfriend or girlfriend or (more loosely) a car or sweater or necklace. You know it when you see it and when you feel it. The work speaks to you in some deep way.

Whether it's the subject, colors, scale, design, idea, or feeling, the artwork catches your attention and keeps it. When that happens, trust your gut. Buy it and hang it in your home where you can enjoy it for a lifetime.

Having said that, we often face some very real 'will it match my

furniture' kinds of questions. (I have personal experience with this, as we seem to move houses every few years.)

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I'm curious . . . what are your experiences? Please hit reply and let me know.

Til next time,

Holly

Quote of the day: "In art as in love, instinct is enough"
- Anatole France (French poet)

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