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Hillwood brings its masterpieces onto the Google Art Project

WASHINGTON—[Hillwood Estate, Museum & Gardens](#) is pleased to announce that it has added over 50 high resolution artworks to the [Google Art Project](#) allowing the public to explore its breathtaking treasures online.

Fifty-three works, including *A Boyar Wedding Feast*, the Nuptial Crown, both Fabergé Imperial Eggs, and the Roentgen desk were selected to become part of the Google Art Project. The resolution of these images, combined with a custom built zoom viewer, allows art-lovers to discover minute aspects of works they may never have noticed before.

Using the [Street View](#) feature, people can move around the Mansion virtually, selecting works of art that interest them and clicking to discover more. A specially designed Street View 'trolley' took 360 degree images of each room which were then stitched together, enabling smooth navigation. The rooms can also be explored directly from within Street View in Google Maps.

Hillwood selected [A Boyar Wedding Feast](#) to be photographed in extraordinary detail using super high resolution or 'gigapixel' photo capturing technology. Each image contains around 7 billion pixels, enabling the viewer to study details of the brushwork beyond that possible with the naked eye, bringing to life hard to see details.

The Art Project is part of the Google Cultural Institute which is dedicated to creating technology that helps the cultural community to bring their art, archives, heritage sites, and other material online. The aim is to increase the range and volume of material from the cultural world that is available for people to explore online and in doing so, democratize access to it and preserve it for future generations.

One of the premier art collector's museums in the United States, Hillwood Estate, Museum and Gardens is dedicated to enlightening and engaging visitors with an experience

inspired by founder Marjorie Merriweather Post's passion for excellence, gracious hospitality, and intent to preserve and share the beauty and history of her collections, garden, and estate. Home to the foremost collection of Russian imperial art in the United States and impeccable French furnishings and objects, Hillwood is set upon 25 acres of gardens and surrounding woodlands in northwest Washington, D.C. Twelve acres of enchanting formal gardens include a Japanese-style garden, a Rose Garden, a French parterre, and a greenhouse full of orchids.

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