

MONUMENTS MEN

WHO WERE THE MONUMENTS MEN: <http://www.monumentsmenfoundation.org/>

READ this website and click on "The Heroes" and "The Monuments Men". Discover the people who worked to protect national monuments during and after WWII. Explore a few links to see who participated in this national treasure hunt.

WRITE at least 5 sentences describing what you found interesting or learned. For example, you could identify the diversity of national origin of participants, identify the art that a particular person discovered, and/or describe the most significant accomplishments of the group in general. **(10 points)**

ARTICLE:

READ 1 article. WRITE 3 paragraphs that reflect the bulleted tasks below. Feel free to read other articles at your leisure, they are all very interesting. Any work that has information that is copied directly from a website, will be returned (plagiarism). Be sure to use your own words, do your own work, and enjoy this exploration of the heroes who saved art and culture during World War II. **(30 points)**

- Identify the title and author of the article (1 point)
- Reflect proper grammar, spelling, and composition (3 points)
- Paragraph 1 (10 points)
Summarize the main idea of your article. Remember, this means you are responding to
Who is it about?
What took place?
Where is it talking about?
When is it occurring?
Why is it significant?
How is the topic framed? (exciting, serious, cautious)
- Paragraph 2 (8 points)
What is your personal opinion regarding the significance of the Monuments Men and their mission. What is the value of art to society? Is there a particular fact, event, or image that stood out?
- Paragraph 3 (8 points)
Identify 2 US landmarks that you believe deserve safeguards and protections. Identify the items, describe what makes each important, where they are located, and why you believe these should be safeguarded from threats.

ARTICLES:

- Smithsonian Magazine:
<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/true-story-monuments-men-180949569/?no-ist>
- Not All Men Were Monuments Men:
http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/02/arts/design/not-all-monuments-men-were-men.html?_r=0
- Rose Valland (Claire Simone in the movie):
<http://www.monumentsmenfoundation.org/the-heroes/the-monuments-men/valland-capt.-rose>