The Value of Art

It has been said that a thing of beauty is a joy forever. There are many benefits to owning an original piece of fine art, in addition to the monetary worth. Consider the following partial list:

1. Helping to focus on positive and emotionally uplifting thoughts.

 A way to show visiting guests in your home or office something about you and your unique personality.

3. Serving as a reminder of a favorite place person or time.

4. Being an icebreaker to stimulate conversation when meeting new friends.

5. Given as a special and thoughtful gift that will be long remembered.

In addition to these inherent values - some pieces of art can develop into very profitable investments. Frequently on Antique Roadshow works by relatively obscure artists are assessed at prices dramatically more that the owner ever dreamed possible.

We would like to think that the work we are now selling may become a similarly pleasant surprise in the not too distant future.

Mr. Klimt might have been thinking the same thing when he painted Adele's portrait - which brought its owner a pretty penny several years ago.

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Gustav Klimt
Adele Bloch-Bauer I