Picasso’s art on display

The Frist Art Museum in Tennessee is hosting an exhibit that showcases the different styles of the famous artist.

A part of its 20th anniversary celebration, the Frist Art Museum in Nashville, Tennessee, is hosting a special exhibition. "Picasso: Figures" features artwork by Pablo Picasso, one of the most famous artists of the 20th century.

Picasso, who was born in Spain, lived from 1881 until 1973. His father was his original art teacher. During his career, Picasso made paintings, sculptures, and other forms of art.

He had many different creative styles and was a co-creator of cubism, which uses geometric shapes and outlines to create abstract (not realistic-looking) forms.

Picasso: Figures features about 75 works of art from several decades of Picasso’s career. He created one painting, The Dancer, Girl, at the age of 14. Every piece contains human figures, one of his favorite subjects. "When you focus on a specific theme, you can see the way that Picasso continually changed the way he approached art that depicted the body," Megan Russ, the Frist’s interpretation director (a person who focuses on the visitor’s experience), told The Week Junior.

He made collages famous. Picasso was a pioneer of the collage technique. It involves gluing various materials together to create one piece of art. The word “collage” comes from the French verb that means “to glue.”

He created a major statue. A plaza in downtown Chicago is home to a 50-foot tall steel statue by Picasso. It took two years to make and was unveiled in 1967. He did not give it a title or say what it represented.

The art is on loan from the Musée Picasso-Paris, which has the world’s largest public collection of Picasso’s works. They all came from the artist’s own art collection that he never sold. “It’s fun to think that this is basically Picasso’s very own art collection on view,” Russ said.

To learn more about the exhibition, visit fristartmuseum.org/exhibition/picasso-figures/.

Film celebrates a family fun day

Y es Day, a funny new movie about a day when parents don’t say no to their kids, is now on Netflix. It’s based on a 2009 children’s book of the same name by Amy Krouse Rosenthal.

The movie revolves around the Torres family. The two oldest kids are upset that their mother says no to them all the time. The mom is played by Jennifer Garner, who is also a producer of the film and has done Yes Days with her family in real life.

In the movie, a guidance counselor suggests that the Torres parents say yes to everything their kids want for 24 hours, as long as it’s safe and legal. They decide to give it a shot. On the big day, the kids’ plans include going through a car wash with the windows open. “Our cast had a blast living such a fun day for the two months we shot,” director Miguel Arteta told The Week Junior. One scene with a water balloon fight took five days to film. “We threw over 30,000 balloons!” he said.

Julian Lerner, a 13-year-old actor who plays Nando, the middle Torres child, said there are great benefits to having a Yes Day, especially when family members are often busy managing work, school, and chores. “It’s about spending time with your family and feeling close and connected,” he told The Week Junior. “I think that’s what we really all need right now.”

The movie will be released in June.