



Thanksgiving by Doris Lee



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1905–1983

Doris Lee was an American painter and printmaker during the Depression Era. She was known for figurative images describing rural America and family life. Her idealized folksy images appealed to a public struggling from the hard economic realities of the Depression. This prize-winning painting brought her much attention and recognition leading to two post office murals and commissions for **Life** magazine. Lee found surprising success in the male-dominated art world she lived in.

Questions:

- What devices are used to create a sense of space in this painting?
- What details do you enjoy from this full scene illustrating Thanksgiving?
- How is Thanksgiving similar in your house? And in what ways is it different?