



Thanksgiving by Doris Lee



**Doris Lee** 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 of the time.

## **Questions:**

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