

# SCI-FI NUTS & WOODCUTS

## WHERE ART & SCIENCE COLLIDE

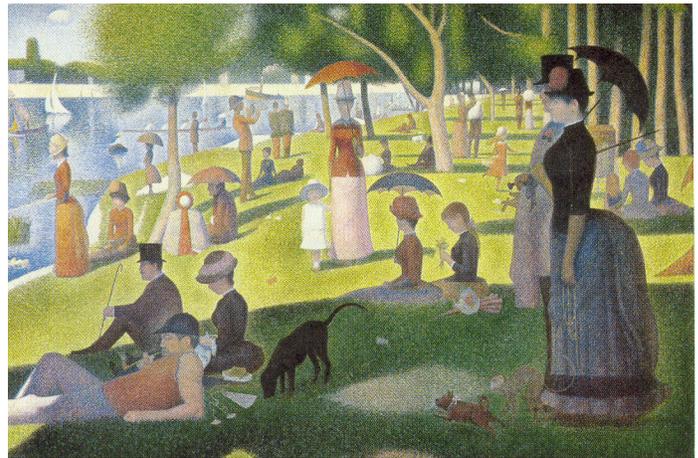
# TIME TRAVELER BUYS MASTERPIECES CHEAP!

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You wouldn't remember seeing George Seurat's "A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" in the Art Institute of Chicago. Why? The museum has never owned it.

Michael J. Fox's newest acquisitions are causing a stir among collectors and curators. How did this forgotten actor suddenly appear on the art scene as the owner of masterpieces by Seurat, Dali, Picasso, and Escher?

Investigative reporter, Biff Tannen, chief of the antiquities division of the Bureau of Chronology, has confirmed the art media's suspicion that Fox used an unlicensed time machine to purchase art.



A Sunday Afternoon Not in Chicago.



Incriminating time machine parked outside of Belvedere.

Until recently, the Bureau maintained control of the few time machines on the planet. Use was restricted to observation of crime scenes to determine guilt, and to protect Sarah Conner from terminators.

Tannen publicly stated, "Fox's time traveling has not only robbed families of their purchases, but also the public from seeing these masterpieces after they were donated to museums."

If Fox is found guilty, Timecops will travel back to prevent his conception, thereby erasing his existence. But, defense attorney, Martin Mcfly, is certain Fox won't disappear. "Celebrity trials aren't about guilt, they're about the sympathy we need to have for people mentally deranged from earning millions just for smiling to a camera."

The prosecutors are uneasy despite the overwhelming lithographic evidence. Judge Alex Keaton has a history of leniency on the rich and famous. Last year he sentenced Winona Ryder to a year of community service, only to redefine it as, "acting in films as a 'strange and unusual' young woman."

Although time travel has the potential to destroy us all, it can have benefits. We could save the art burned by the Great Fires of London and Chicago. And, just maybe, someone could go back in time and teach Pollock how to paint.