

## **Era Project Reflection: Renaissance Period**

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I learned a lot from this project. The renaissance truly was an age of arts. I enjoyed learning the differences in music as well as the developments of that time. I already have studied art during that time period, but it was interesting relating the techniques as well as content to societal attitudes towards leisure during that time. Coming up with ways to involve the class in each leisure area was enjoyable and a nice deviation from the standard powerpoint presentation format found in many classes. Personally I feel like I contributed quite a bit to the group. I completed most of the dance, music, and presentation format sections of the summary as well as touched up grammar and information in each area, and finalized the document to turn in. My part in the presentation was dance master which put me slightly out of my comfort zone as I don't know the first thing about dancing, but I ended up having a grand ole' time and it seemed like everyone understood the dance fairly well by the end.

Considering my peers, I think everyone did their best to contribute to the group project and I didn't feel like anyone really slacked off too much. I took on a large part of the summery willingly, and when our group met everyone did their best to help research and come up with resources/information to contribute. Karyn completed the literature portion and Barb took on the art sections. Ethan did a great job of finding resources to use as well as volunteering to speak the most during the presentation. Justin didn't show as much ambition in claiming a part to work on, but when asked to help he'd do so with no fuss. We didn't meet that much as a full group but when we did, everyone stayed on track and was enthusiastic and productive. I'm pleased that everyone took the initiative to dress up and seemed to be prepared the day of the presentation. Most importantly we all had a fun time with this project and I believe it showed in our workshop.