

World Arthritis Day October 12

Around the world, 595 million people live with osteoarthritis (OA), a disease that may affect their ability to enjoy painting, dancing, and other hobbies.¹ However, artists like Pierre-Auguste Renoir or Antoni Gaudí reflected their experiences with this disease through their works,² shedding light on the historical perceptions and treatments of OA.

This World Arthritis Day, let's combine art and science in osteoarthritis care and take proactive steps together.

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