

Dear Students,

As part of a museum exhibit, artists often write an Artist Statement to explain their work. Sometimes they even include a picture. This statement is placed near their art work.

In order help the viewing public interpret the totems you are designing, the Native American Museum would appreciate it if each group (Sioux homes, Sioux occupations, and Sioux environment) wrote an Artist Statement. These statements should follow the same format that professional artists use.

All statements should include a picture of the artist(s) and their names. Under the picture, should be a description of why the piece of art has the particular parts that were chosen. Please see the attached sample. I believe that if you look at this sample, it will all become clear.

I'm sure your art teacher would be able to answer any questions that you might have.

Sincerely,

Roger Totem