





The Girl with a Pearl Earring depicts a young woman in a dark space. She wears a blue and gold turban, the pearl earring, and a gold jacket with a white collar. It was painted by Dutch artist Johannes Vermeer.

Some people believe that the girl in the painting is imaginary, whereas others believe that it is a real person. It is also said that she could be Vermeer's own daughter, Maria Vermeer.



### Quick Facts:

-  Nobody knows exactly when the painting was completed. However, some people estimate that it was painted in the year 1665.
-  The original painting is quite small. It measures 44.5 by 39 centimeters.
-  Some people call this painting 'The Mona Lisa of the North' or 'The Dutch Mona Lisa'.
-  The work is kept in the Mauritshuis museum in the Netherlands.