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### BEGIN TRANSCRIPT

Hello friends! Welcome to 'Art Vids For Kids'. In this video, we'll look at an object that wants to make you laugh.

First, let's look at the object as a whole. What do you see? Something that looks useful? Or something that looks like an animal? Or perhaps like a character? For me, when I first saw it, it looked like a person in a polka dot dress adjusting a small hat on their head.

Now, let's zoom in on the handles, made out of metal. Each one represents a person. Look closely. Notice a long nose, 3 pom-poms on their chest, a hoop around their arm and a fun hat on their head. They are attached to the glass by their hands and feet in a very limber pose.

The artist, Dan Dailey, called this artwork *Antic Circus Vase*. He likes to use the form of a vase, sometimes pronounced "vahz", because it can be made in all kinds of shapes, and he loves the fact that the vase has been used for thousands of years to depict stories. He made this one after he visited a circus museum. The old-fashioned posters he saw there had goofy imagery that made him laugh and sparked his ideas. He drew them in a notebook and then worked with a team of artists to make them in 3D.

Now that you know this object was inspired by the circus, do you see it differently than before? I do! I now see comical circus acrobats balancing on a big ball while juggling and it makes me laugh. You can giggle in front of the *Antic Circus Vase* at the Dayton Art Institute in the Eilleen Dicke Gallery of Glass, Gallery 123. Thank you for learning about art with us!

### END TRANSCRIPT



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## FEATURED ARTWORKS

Artist unidentified (Etruscan), *Olpe Pitcher*, about 575 B.C.E, terracotta. Dayton Art Institute, OH. Museum purchase with funds provided by Mrs. Susanne R. McConnaughey, 1960.56

Daniel Owen Dailey (American, born 1947), *Jest*, 2002. Image via Dan Dailey Studio © Dan Dailey

Daniel Owen Dailey (American, born 1947), *Juggling Devils*, 1999, blown glass and metal. Private collection. Image via Dan Dailey Studio © Dan Dailey

Daniel Owen Dailey (American, born 1947), *Hercules*, 1990. Image via Bill Truslow © Dan Dailey

Jacques Sicard (American, 1865–1923) *Vase*, 1902–1907, ceramic with metallic lustre glaze. Dayton Art Institute, OH. Gift of Mr. Stephen Fales, 1983.47

*The Barnum & Bailey Greatest Show on Earth: The Apollo Trio*, 1910, lithography. Boston Public Library, MA, Richard Dale McMullan Collection

The Dayton Painter (Greek, active 6th century BCE), *Amphora*, about 520 BCE, terracotta with Black-Figure Style decoration. Dayton Art Institute, OH. Museum purchase, 1963.84

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