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"Painted on Canvas"

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We are like children
We're painted on canvases
Picking up shades as we go
We start off with gesso
brushed on by people we know
Watch your step as you go
Step back and admire my view
Can you use the colors I choose?
Do I have some say what you use?
Do I have some greens and some blues?
We're made by the pigment of paint that is put upon
Our stories are told by our hues
Like Motley and Bearden
These masters of peace and life
Layers of color and time
Step back and admire my view
Can I use the colors I choose?
Don't I have some say what you use?
Can I get some greens with my blues?

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