

You may not think twice about the names of Whittredge Avenue and Hillcrest Avenue, however the names of both streets are not only significant to Summit's history, but art history as well. Thomas Worthington Whittredge was born in Ohio in 1820. After painting into adulthood in America and in Europe, Whittredge moved to New York City in 1859, and began painting with other artists in the Tenth Street - Studio Building, which later became famously known as the Hudson River School. From there, his career took off and today Whittredge's paintings are all over the world including the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Washington National Gallery. In 1880, Whittredge moved to an estate, called Hillcrest, at 166 Summit Ave with his family and lived there until he died in 1910. Today, Whittredge Avenue takes his name and Hillcrest Avenue takes the name of his estate.