

"Welcome to Door-Latch Inn. I am John West, innkeeper,  
and this is my youngest-born, Benjamin."



"This be Elmira. She will mother thy kitten, too."



*"Scratch! Scratch!" went the pen.  
With quick strokes Benjamin sketched the outline of Sally's head."*

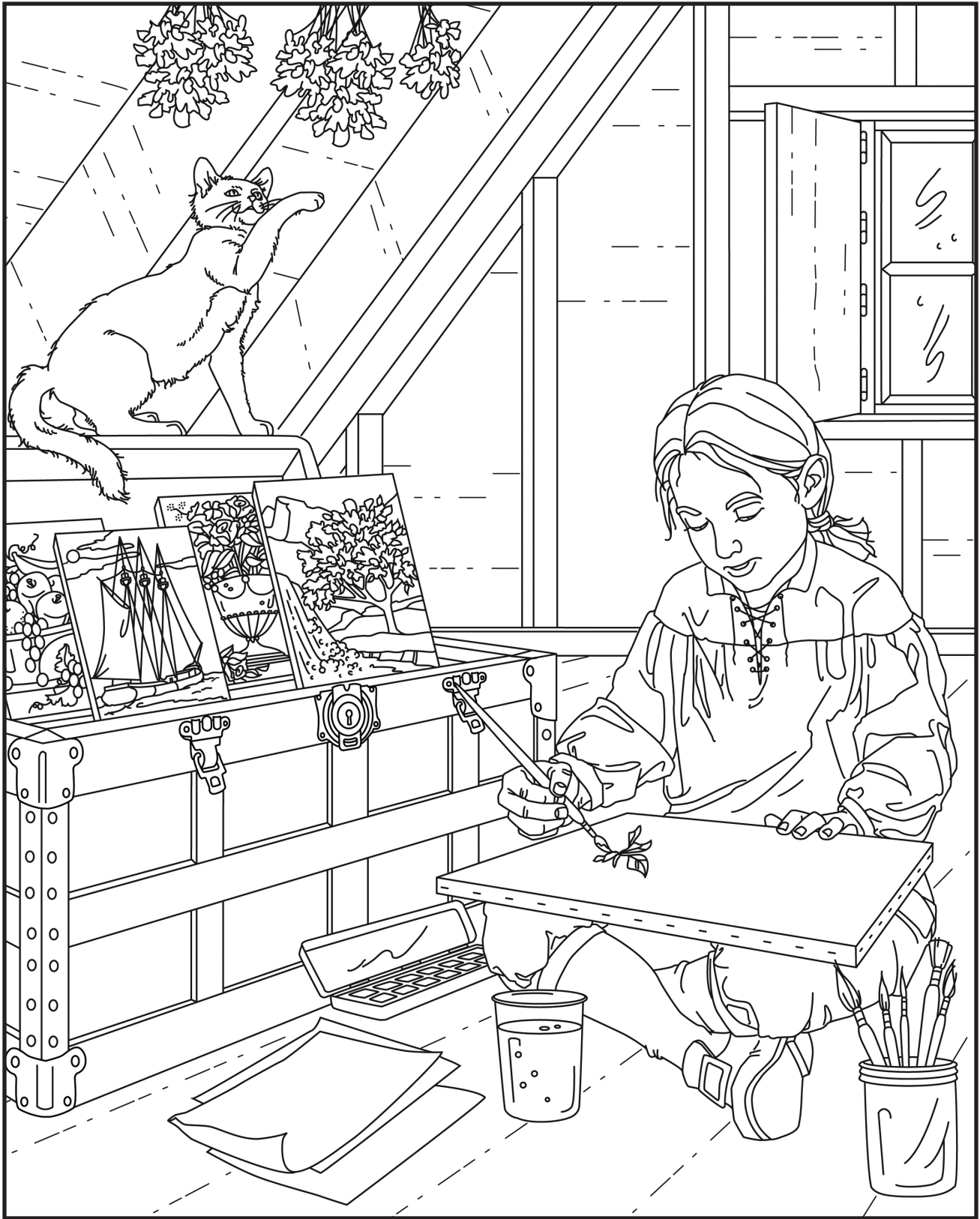




"The Indians like to draw too.  
At last, I've found some *real* schoolfellows."

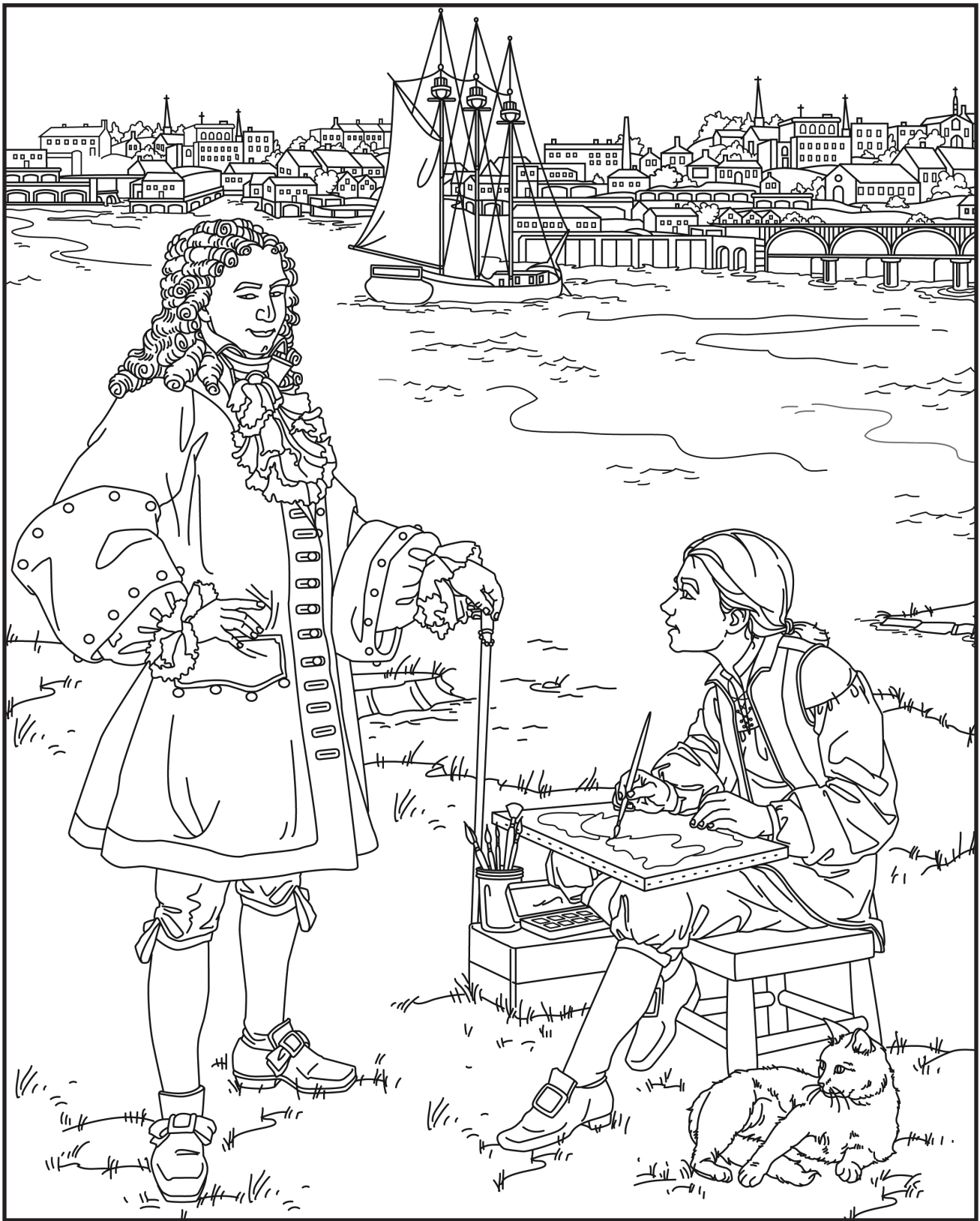


"How soft and silky! Thy fur makes the best hair pencils."



"Happiness seemed to bubble up inside Benjamin whenever he painted."





On the banks of the Delaware, Benjamin met  
the influential Samuel Shoemaker.



Benjamin West became the royal painter for many years  
in the court of England's King George III.