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Modernism as a rejection of conventions, looking to the future, process of experimentation and discovery.

Time of "isms", movements with unique philosophies, often with written manifestos. Although modernism is marked by tremendous aesthetic diversity, there are several broad tendencies in common.

- Abstraction and non-representational—everyday perception of the world is not "real."
- Tendency to emphasize physical process—the ultimate reality is the medium itself and its physical elements.
- Continual questioning of the nature of art through the adoption of new techniques and materials.
- Influenced by non-European Cultures.



**Representational Art**- like naturalism or realism, the attempt to depict objects as they appear in the everyday world. Sometimes called *objective* or

figurative art.



Andrew Wyeth, Christina Olson, 1947, tempera on panel, Kunin Collection **Abstraction**- not realistic, though the intention is often based on an actual subject, place, or feeling.



Joan Miró, *Head of a Woman*, 1938, Spanish

**Nonrepresentational Art**- presents visual forms with no specific references to anything out of themselves. Absent of any subject matter. Sometimes called *nonobjective* or *nonfigurative* art.

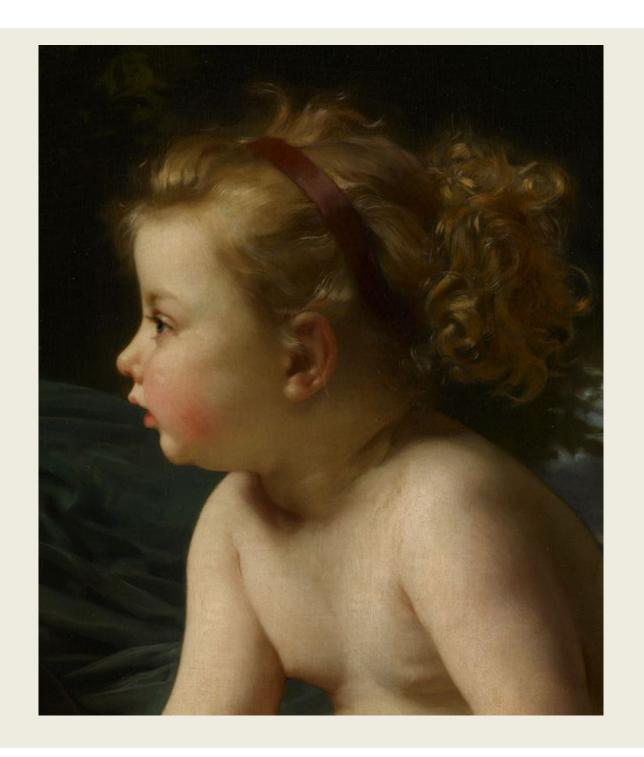


Beauford Delaney, American, 1901-1979

Academic art is a style of painting and sculpture produced under the influence of European academies of art. Specifically, academic art is the art and artists influenced by the standards of the French Académie des Bueax-Arts.

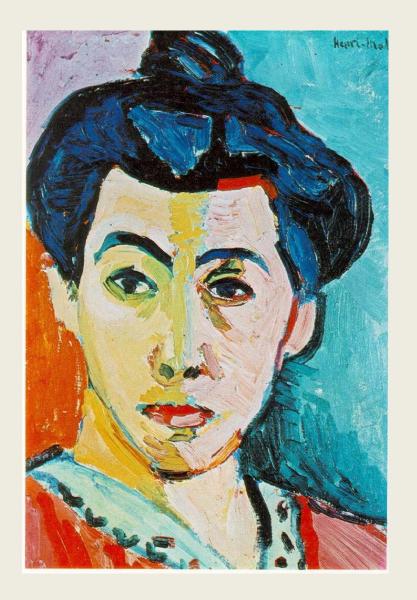


Adolphe-William Bouguereau, French, Temptation, 1880, 74.74





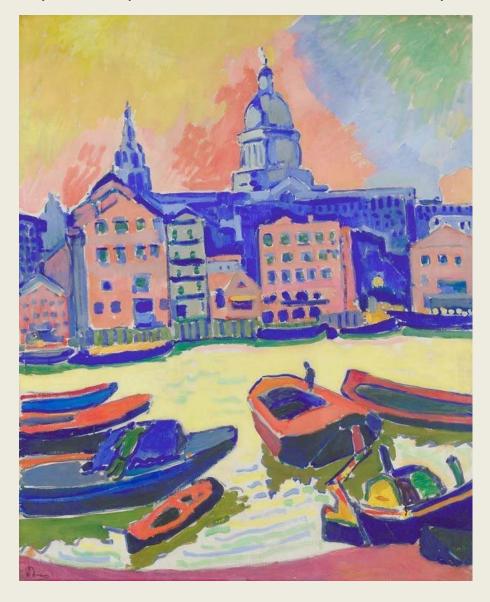
Pablo Picasso, Portrait of the Artist's Mother, 1896



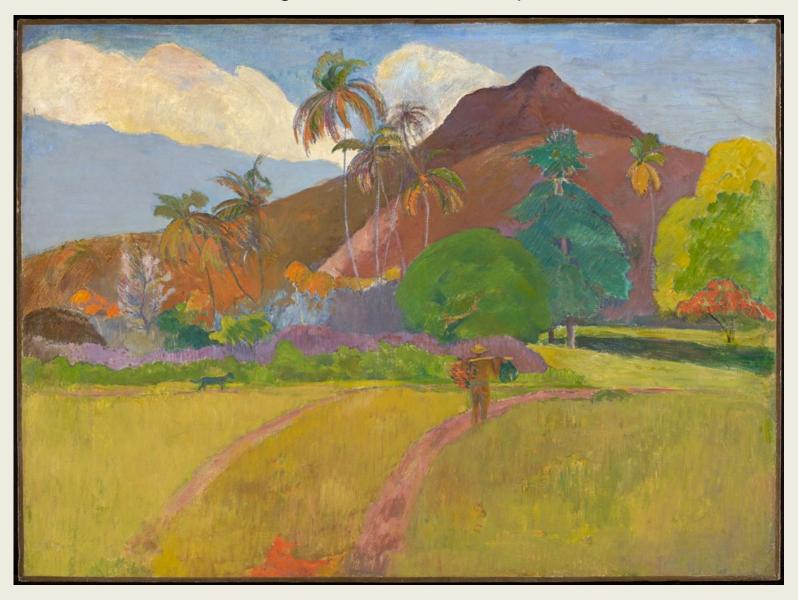
#### Fauvism 1905-1907

Henri Matisse, Portrait with Green Stripe, Madame Matisse, 1905 Royal Museum of Fine Arts Copenhagen

Andre Derain, French, London: St. Paul's Cathedral, 1906, 61.36.9

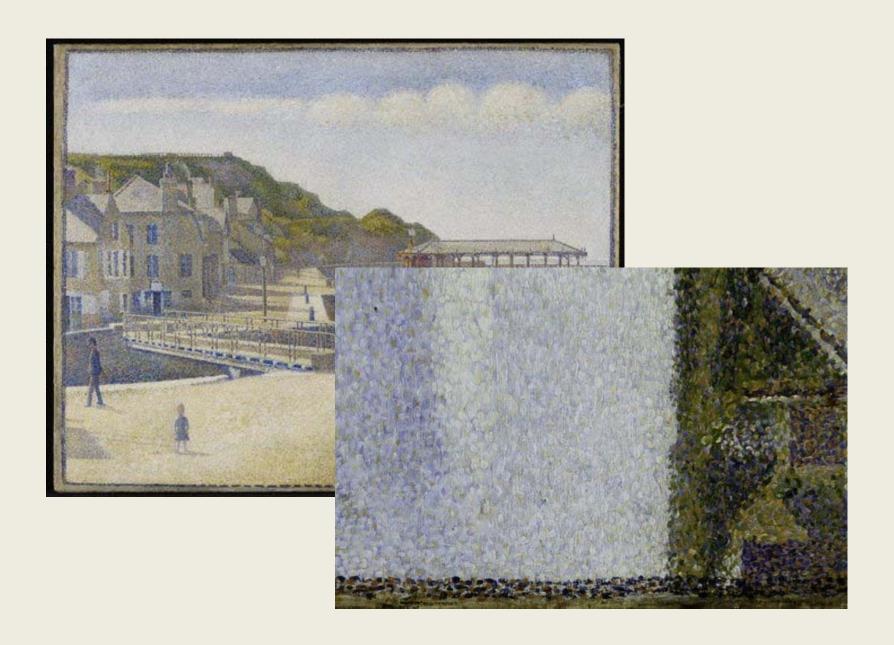


# Paul Gauguin, Tahitian Landscape, 1891



Maurice de Vlaminck, French, The Blue House, 1906, 61.36.17





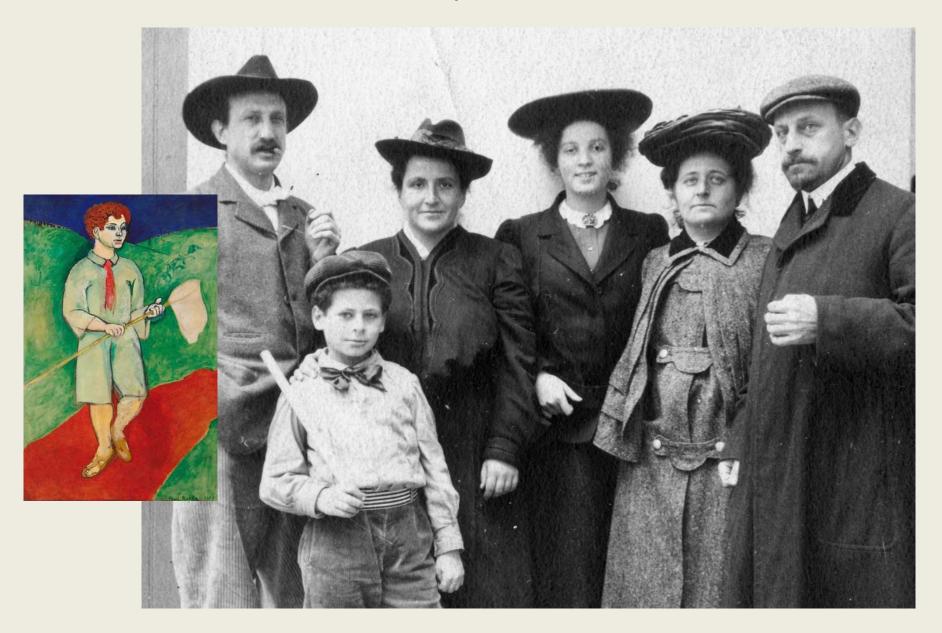


Henri Matisse, French, Boy with Butterfly Net, 1907, 51.18

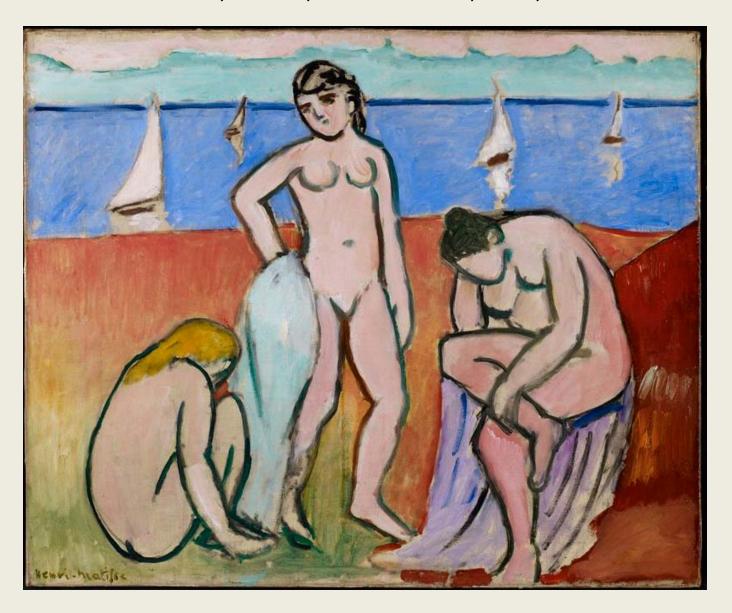


Giotto di Bondone (c. 1267-1337), St. Francis Preaching to the Birds

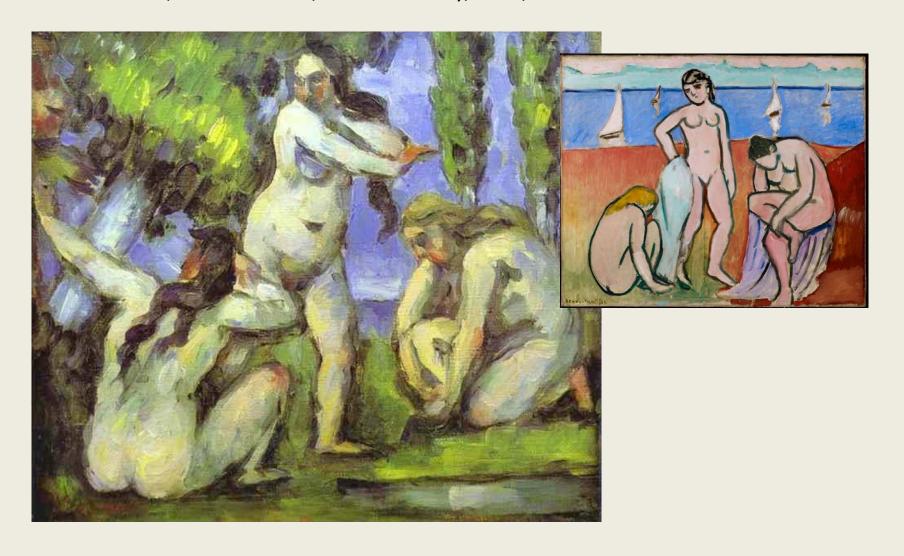
# Gertrude Stein and family at Rue de Fleurus, 1909-10



Henri Matisse, French, Three Bathers, 1907, 61.36.14



Paul Cezanne, Three Bathers, Musee d"Orsay, Paris, 1892





# Expressionism 1905-1925

Die Brüke (The Bridge) 1905-1913 Der Blaue Reiter (The Blue Rider) 1912-1914

Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, *Portrait of Ludwig Schames*, German, 1917, woodcut

#### Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, Seated Woman, German, 1907



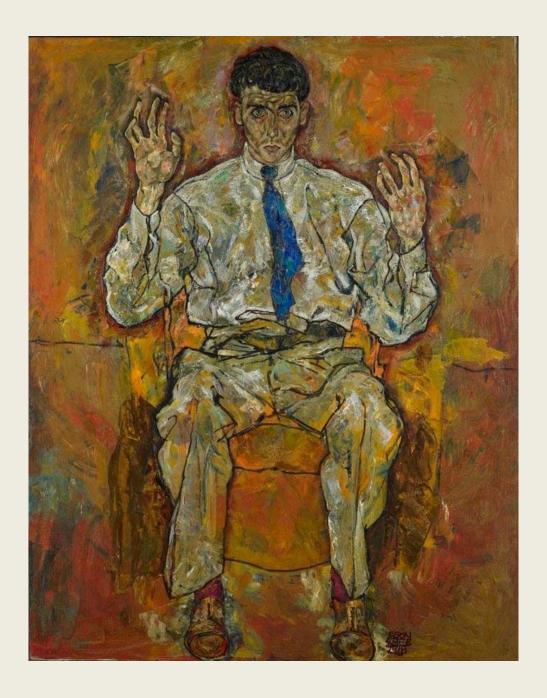
#### Vassily Kandinsky, Russian, Study for Improvisation V, 1910, 67.34.2



James Ensor, Belgian, The Intrigue, 1911, 70.38

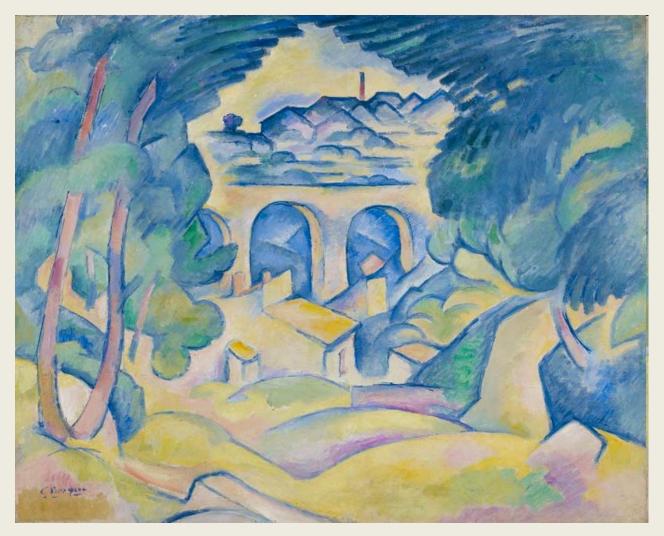






Egon Schiele, *Portrait of the Painter Paris von Gűtersloh*, Austrian, 1918

# Cubism and Responses to Cubism 1907

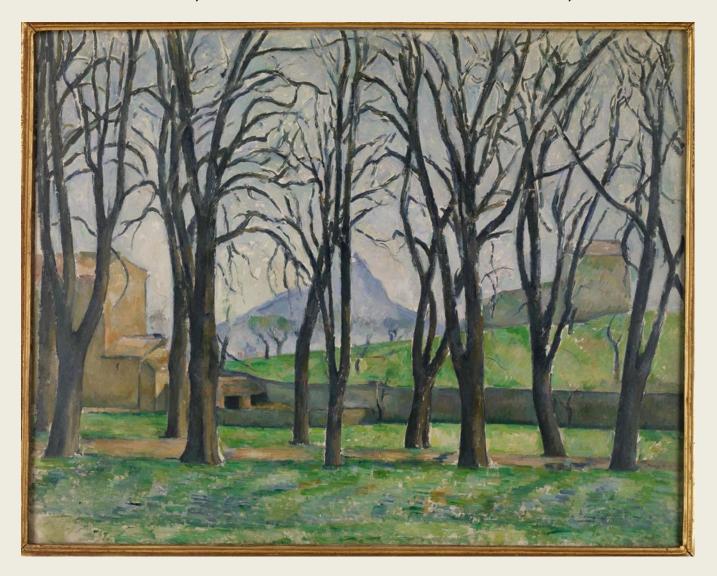


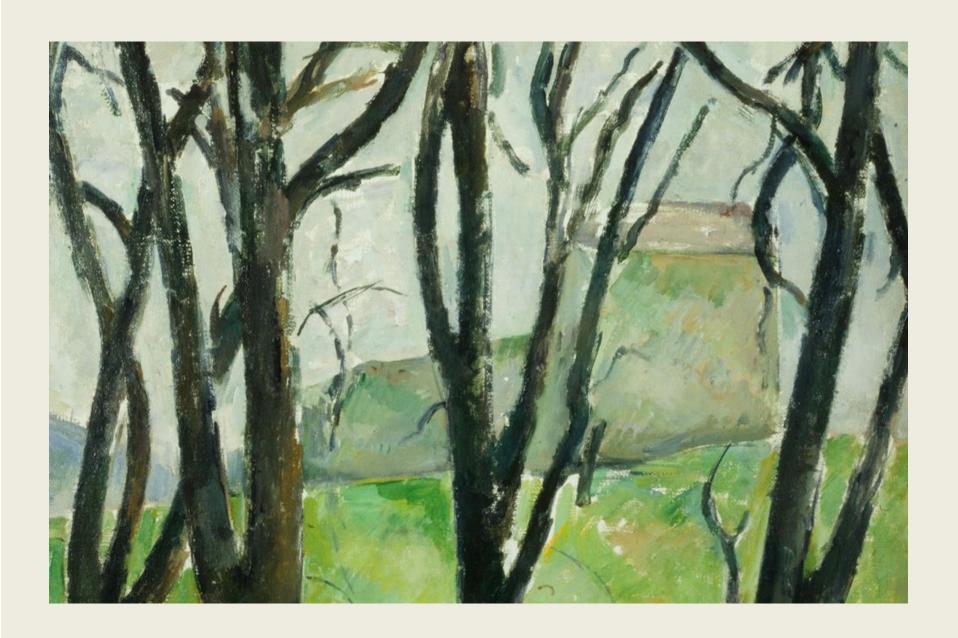
Georges Braque, Viaduct at L'Estaque, French, 1907

#### Fernand Leger, *Table and Fruit*, 1909, French



Paul Cezanne, Chestnut Trees at Jas De Bouffan, 1885-87





# Roger De La Fresnaye, *Married Life*, 1912



# Synthetic Cubism 1912 Pablo Picasso, Still-Life with Chair Caning, 1912, Musée Picasso



#### Joan Miró, Spanish Playing Cards, Spanish, 1920



Juan Gris, Still Life, Spanish, 1917, oil on panel



Juan Gris, Seated Harlequin, 1920







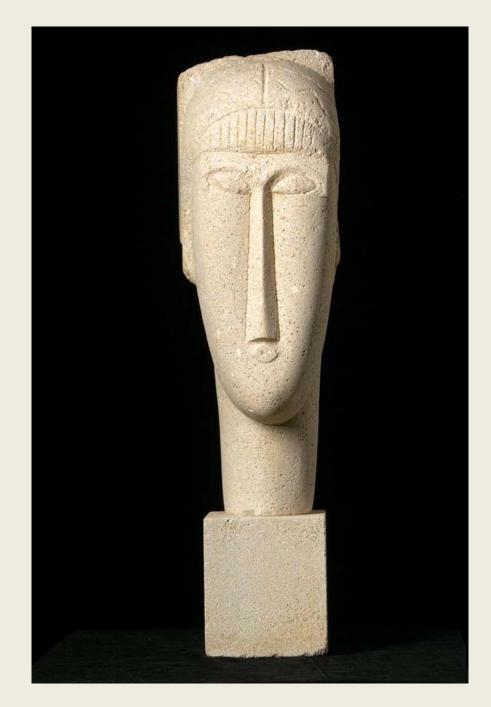
# **New Classism and Purism**



Pablo Picasso, Woman by the Sea, Spanish, 1922, 61.36.24

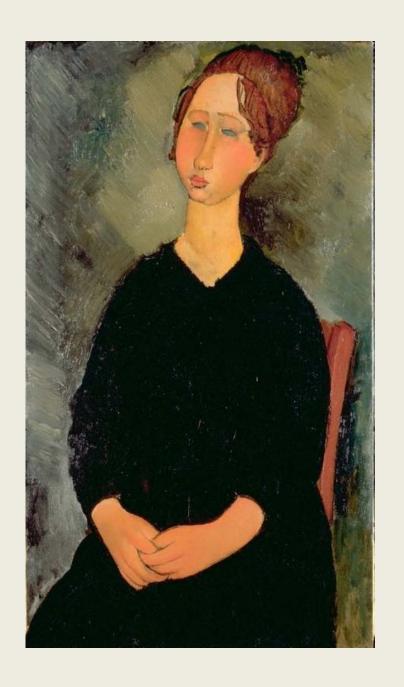
Amedeo Modigliani, *Head of a Woman*, Italian, about 1910, limestone







Amedeo Modigliani, *The Little* Servant Girl, Italian, about 1916



Purism Fernand Leger, Le Petit Déjeuner, 1919

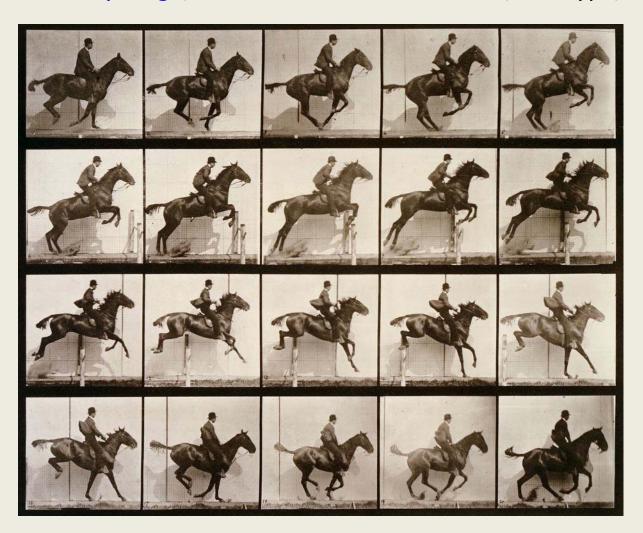


## Futurism 1909-1914



Umberto Boccione, Unique Forms of Continuity in Space, 1913

Eadweard Muybridge, Animal Locomotion Plate 640, collotype, 1887



## Constantin Brancusi, Golden Bird, 1919, 55.39







A.M. Cassandre, French, Nord Express (North Express), 1927

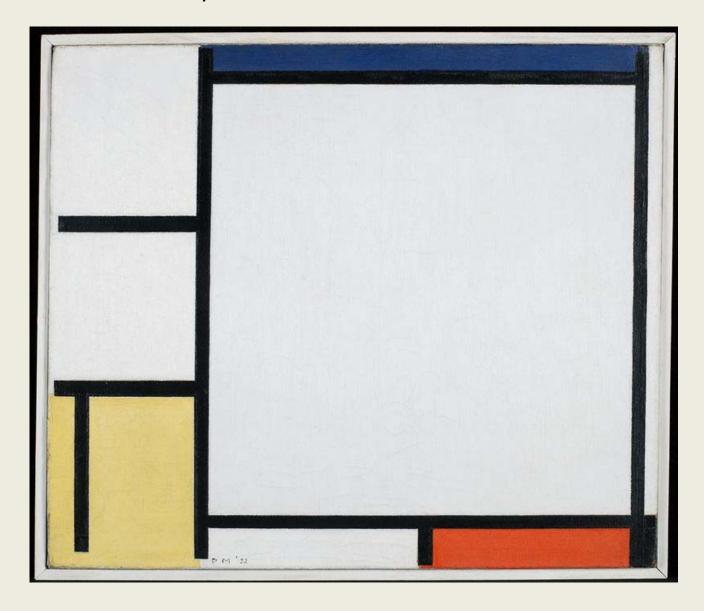


German, D.R.G.M., manufacturer, Dirigible cocktail shaker with fitted accessories, c. 1930

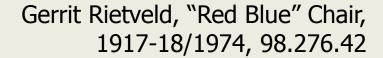
### The Style 1917 – 1931



Piet Mondrian, Composition with Red, Yellow, and Blue, Dutch, 1922



Gerrit Rietveld, Berlin Chair, 1923/1974, Dutch











Bauhaus 1919-1933

Christian Dell, German, 1893 - 1974 Belmag, manufacturer (Zurich) Table Lamp. 1928



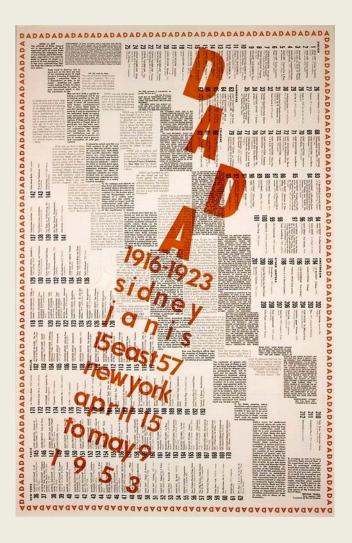


Ludwig Mies Van Der Rohe, German, 1886 - 1969 Bamberg Metallwerk Stôtten, manufacturer, Side Chair c.1932

Marcel Breuer, American, 1902 - 1981 Thonet, manufacturer (Vienna), Nest of Tables, 1926–1930







# Dada 1916- 1922

Marcel Duchamp, L.H.O.O.Q., 1919



Marcel Duchamp, Box in a Suitcase (Boite-e-Valise), 1941/1961 cardboard, paper, linen, wood, and plexiglass 97.20.2



# Surrealism - 1924

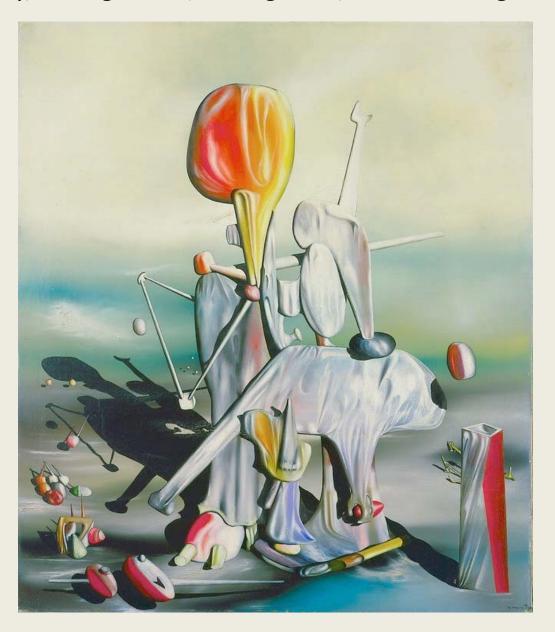


Salvador Dali, Aphrodisiac Telephone, 1938, plastic, bakelite and electrical hardware 96.2

## Rene Magritte, *The Promenades of Euclid*, 1955 Belgian



#### Yves Tanguy, Through Birds, Through Fire, but Not through Glass, 1943



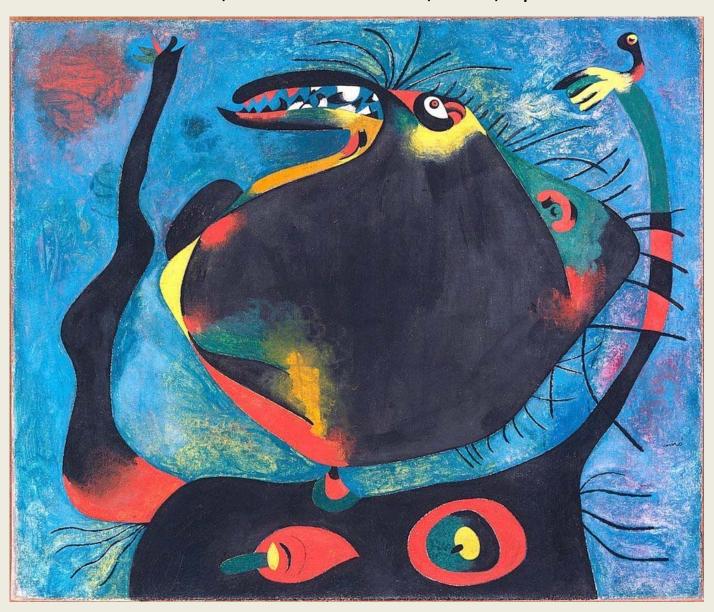
Salvador Dali, Portrait of Juan de Pareja, the Assistant to Velázquez, 1960, Spanish







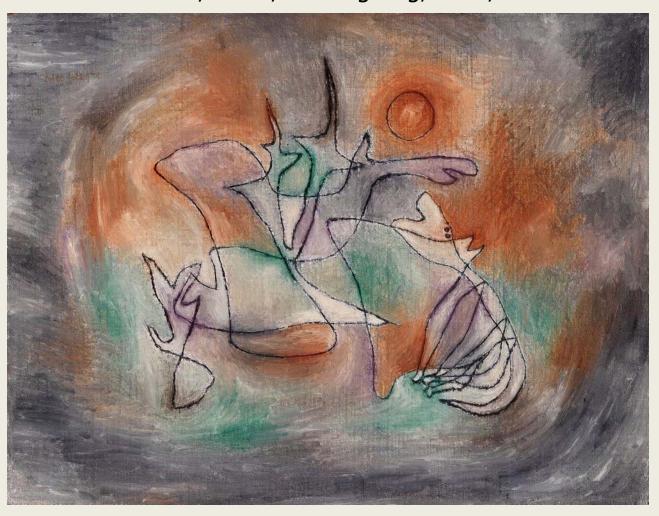
Joan Miró, *Head of a Woman*, 1938, Spanish



#### Pablo Picasso, Woman in a Armchair, 1927 Spanish



Paul Klee, Swiss, Howling Dog, 1928, 56.42





Pablo Picasso, Baboon and Young, Spanish, 1951

