The Four-isms

- 1. Fauvism and Henri Matisse
- 2. Cubism: Picasso & Braque
- 3. Dadaism and Marcel Duchamp
- 4. Surrealism and Rene Magritte

## Fauvism (1898 - 1908)

- 1. To use pure colours applied straight from the paint tubes
- 2. All the basic principles are arts
- 3. Wanted to recreate a lively, colorful and liberated world
- 4. Destroy, Disobey, Recreate (a colorful world)
- 5. A explosion of primary colors
  - a. Use with complete freedom
  - b. Did not feel obliged or imitated to the nature
  - c. Follow their own imaginations of the world
  - d. Shadow: purple, tree: bright red face: green
- 6. Henri Matisse "Portrait with the Green Stripe" (1905)
  - a. Artist feel like to paint a face green
    - i. At that time, it was revolutionary
- 7. First formal exhibition
  - a. ???
  - b. Shocked the public
- 8. Public violence
  - a. Critics: said those painters "fauve"=wild beast, big cat
  - b. Give the movement its name
  - c. Name: Fauvism
  - d. Adjective: Fauve, Fauvist
- 9. Matisse "Luxe, Calme At Volupte" (1904-1905)



- a. An example for he also had tried different painting styles
- b. Pettism
- c. Water, sky: purple, red, yellow ...
- d. Freedom of using colors
- 10. Matisse "La Danse" II (1910)
  - a. Three pure colors: red, green and blue
- 11. Matisse: also a sculptor
  - a. "Large Seated Nude" (1925)
  - b. Between rest and tension



Cubism (1907-1914)

Pablo Picasso

1.

- a. Spanish artist
- b. But mainly work In France
- 2. Picasso: "Les Demoiselles D'Avignon" (1907)



- a. Great breakthrough
- b. Body: mass of shapes
- c. Result of new experiments
- d. African sculpture: women's face --- Fragmented face
- 3. Cubism
  - a. Reject the rule of perspective (the three-dimensional representation of space)
  - b. To use a flat, two-dimensional surface filled with fragmented geometrical shapes
- 4. George Braque

a.

- a. First started as a Fauve artist
- b. Influenced by Paul Cezanne
  - i. A impressionist
  - ii. Paint with big,
- 5. Braque: "houses at L'estque" (1908)
  - Give cubism its name

i. "that's just a construction of cubes" (critic)

6. Braque: "Girl with a Mandolin" (1910)



- a. All the outlines are broken
- b. And the shape are transparent
- c. Person are geometric shapes
- d. Simultaneous views of the same object
- 7. Braque: 1961
  - a. Had his paintings exhibited in Louvers



Dadaism, or Dada

- 1. An international movement
  - a. Founded in Zurich, Switzerland, 1916
  - b. In the middle of WWI
    - i. Started as a protest against the world
  - c. Happened in Paris mainly
    - i. Also in Berlin and Barcelona
  - d. Wanted to make fun and ridicule of all the principles in art and culture
    - i. Want a name which is ridicule
    - ii. Dada, found by random
      - 1) A ridiculous word
      - 2) Childish and non-sense
    - iii. They didn't intend to be an "ism"
- 2. Tristan Tzara:
  - a. "Dada stands for art without sense. This does not mean nonsense. Dada is without a meaning, as Nature is"
  - b. Want to shock and disturb people
  - c. Organize activities to hold simultaneous reading i. Own language, poems
  - d. At that time, a very provocative gesture
- 3. Invent new words,
- 4. Ridicule the society to get mental relaxation
- 5. After the war,
- 6. They organized strange events
  - a. Provided some sort of comical relief to the tense after the war
  - b. Gave many people chances to ridicule society and its conventions
- 7. Duchamp: "Nude Descending a Staircase" (1912)



- a. Critics: insane, "hilarious"
- 8. Marcel Duchamp (1952)
  - a. Same dynamic movement
  - b. But a fully dressed gentleman
- 9. Marcel Duchamp (creation of ready-mades)
  - a. Want to demonstrate that art and culture don't have any meaning as life does not have any meaning
  - b. "Bottle Rack": an iron rack for drying bottles

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- A way of ridiculing high and serious culture Everything made by human is art i.
- ii.
- The emptiness of the world
- Art is "junk" or "trick" d.

c.

Anything can be art as soon as you put your name on it and declare it as i. art

Art and Literature: <u>Guillaume **Apollinaire**</u>

<u>Guillaume Apollinaire</u> (born Wilhelm de Kostrowitzki)

- a. Born in Rome, raised and educated in France
- b. A French-speaking poet
- c. Make friends with some painters, including Picasso
- d. Try to defined cubism in literature as well as painting
- e. 1913: Cubist Paintings
- f. Publish stories and poems dominated by the images of the world
- g. Died in Spain in flu in 1918.
- h. Experiment many poetry styles
  - i. Not use punctuation
- i. 1918: "Calligrammes: Poems of Peace and War"
  - i. Calligramme
    - 1) Callos: beautiful
    - 2) Gramma: letter, writing
  - ii. From Greek
  - iii. Draw poems....visual poems
  - iv. "It's raining"

Surrealism

- 1. Founded in Paris (1924)
- 2. Dominated the French and European for many years
  - a. Even influence America
- 3. Strongly influenced by Freud and psychoanalysis
- 4. To explore the subconscious
- 5. To let the subconscious come forth
- 6. Rational world
- 7. To reunite the conscious and unconscious aspects of human experience
- 8. Create an "absolute reality, a surreality"
  - a. More than an eye can simply perceived
- 9. Rene Magritte

d.

- a. A Belgium painter
- b. Want to paint a strange world
  - i. No rational sense at all
  - ii. Ambiguous, paradoxical
  - iii. Shocking for average people
  - iv. Want to let people know sometimes the human mind is irrational1) So his paintings are difficult to understand

Fountain

- c. "The False Mirror" (1935)
  - i. CBS Television
    - 1) New horizon
  - "The Intimate Friend"
    - i. A "..." hat
      - 1) A symbol of lack of identity
- e. "The son of Man" (1964)
  - i. Never a symbolic painting for a painting
  - ii. "Son of man": something in
  - iii. Adam and Eve's apple before his eyes
  - iv. Many people are trying to find the distinction of visible and visible
- f. "Reconnaissance without end" (1963)
  - i. Two man floating on the sky
- g. "Golconda" 1953
  - i. A pattern of wall paper

- HOW TO EAT SMARTER h.
  - i. Times, October, 2003
- "The Human Condition" (1933) i.

  - i. Nature and realityii. The problem of visible and invisible"Carte Blanche" (1965)
- j.
  - i. Reality and illusion

-Impression:	Light
-Pointillism:	Dots
-Fauvism:	Color
-Cubism:	Shape
-Dadaism:	Concept
-Surrealism:	Subconscious

20 short questions(15 mins) 2:10 to 2:25

- 1.
- 2.
- Cover 3 previous classes (not this) Political, impression, Last week(society and the drama)

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