### Chapter 29: Late 19<sup>th</sup> century Art

Modernism Movement-using art to call attention to art

<u>Realism</u> (images) (1848- 1860) –this artwork provides viewers with a reevaluation of "reality". The artists argued that only the things of one's time, what people can see for themselves, are "real." They focused their attention on everyday contemporary life and disapproved of historical or fictional subjects on the grounds that they were not real and visible and not of this present world.

<u>Impressionism</u> (images) (1872- 1880s) –this artwork in content and style was art of industrialized, urbanized Paris, it furthered some of the realists concerns, but where Realism focused on the present, Impressionism focused on a single moment.

<u>Post Impressionism</u> (images) (1880s- 1890s) –an emphasis on expressive qualities of line, pattern, form, and color, Four main artists Vincent Van Gogh, Paul Gauguin, George Seurat, and Paul Cezanne.

• Vincent Van Gogh=a tormented indiv. suffering from epileptic seizures, son of a Protestant pastor he was a missionary to the coal miners in Belgium and moved by the poverty around him he gave all his belongings to the poor, including most of his clothes. Deemed "excessive behavior (bordering scandalous) by one of his superiors, he was rejected by the Dutch Reform Church, and he was left embittered and impoverished. Although his belief in God never wavered, his chief form of religious expression became creating art instead of preaching.

Symbolism (images) (1890s) –Felt that one must not just see the physical world, but must look through it to the Reality far deeper than what superficial appearance gave=a psychological truth. That the artist must unhinge the commonsense world into symbols of a reality beyond, a reality from within the individual. This mindset led them to cultivate all aspects of the imagination and fantasy, and stand against conventional materialism and middle class society. Slogan became way of life: "art for art's sake"

<u>Art Nouveau</u> (images) (1890s- 1914) –"New Art" an architectural and design movement that tried to recreate art based on natural forms that could be mass-produced for a large audience. They adapted the twining plant form and adapted it to architecture, painting, sculpture, and all decorative arts. Heavily influenced by Japanese Prints

<u>Late 19<sup>th</sup> century Architecture (images)</u> –New urbanization and technology advancements affected architecture throughout the Western world. Iron was replaced by steel which allowed for larger construction, 29-58, 29-60, 29-59

Late 19th century Sculpture(images) imbued with the Realist spirit, "form follows function"

- **Realism based on the Theory of Positivism**=science is the mind's highest achievement, belief that scientific laws governed the environment and human activity and could be revealed through recording and analysis of observable data. This challenged the traditional Christian beliefs and contributed to a growing secular attitude.
- Japanese art- big influence, 19<sup>th</sup> century
- Plein air painting (Painting on location) dominates impressionism
- Post impressionists rennet to "ephemeral" quality of Impressionists
- Symbolists- mystical personal visions
- Skyscraper, elevator invented
- Art Nouveau tries to create unified artistic experience- organic forms + motifs

#### **Reading:**

- Pg. 874 Japonisme
- Pg. 879 From Pariah to Paragon: The Shifting Fortunes of Vincent Van Gogh

#### Vocab

Avant-garde-artists whose work rejected the past and transgressed the boundaries of conventional artistic Practices-artists and styles ahead of their time (first to be given this term was the Post-Impressionists)

Japonisme-

<u>Lithography</u>- images printed from a flat stone-able to reproduce an unprecedented amount of prints

Plein-air- painting on location

<u>Pointillism</u>- a system of painting devised by George Seurat. The artist separates color into its component parts and then applies the component colors to the canvas in tiny dots (points), The image becomes comprehensible only from a distance, when the viewer's eyes optically blend the pigment dots.

#### Positivism-

<u>Zoopraxiscope-</u> a device invented by Eadweard Muybridge to project his sequences of images (mounted on special glass plates) onto a screen.

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29-1		N:Stone Breakers D:1849 P/S:Realism  A:Gustave Courbet L:France  C:-he is regarded as one of the of Realist movement in 19th century art, -gives a glimpse into the life of a rural, two men, one old, one young, breaking stones, this job was the of the low in French soctheir labor is neither romanticized or idealized but with directness and  -the colors chosen, and dirty, reveal the dreary dismal nature of task -he produced this work right after the of 1848 which workers rebelled against the wealthy leaders-demanding better working conditions and redistribution of Rebellion quelled indays, but brought the workers to the center stage. painting timely and populist.  N: oil on canvas
29-3		N:The Gleaners D:1857 P/S:Realism  A:Jean-Francois Millet L:France  C: -a painter oflife-in order to be close to his subjects he moved to a rural village called Barbizon, where he became a member of the Barbizon school, which specialized in detailed pictures ofand countryside.  -he was ofstock and identified with his subjects, -depicts three women who are doing the back-breaking job of gleaning lastscraps, they were theof society and they were allowed to glean the last bits of harvest for their own.  -theclass did not approve of these paintings and reacted with suspicion and disdain, they did not like having to let the poor glean, and felt that he was aiding thepoor, Social-Political Art  N: oil on canvas
29-4		N:Rue Transnonian D:1834 P/S:Realism A:Honore Daumier L:France C: -French people began to suspect artists ofintention, and a person could befor too bold a statement in the press, literature,art even music and drama -Daumier boldly confronted authority withcriticism & protest, and was arrested for his art. a painter, sculptor, and one of the world's great masters of the graphic medium= made lithograph to reach more peopletitle refers to thename where a sniper killed a civil guard, part of gov. force trying to repress a worker demonstration, in response thewent into the building and massacred all of its inhabitants, the terrible, (unlike Goya's moment of disaster) -he also made a lot of political caricatures for aFrench Journal
29-7		N:Luncheon on the Grass D:1863 P/S:Realism  A:Edouard Manet L:France  C:-pivotal figure in art- committed to Realism yet instrumental to the

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29-8		N:Olympia D:1863 P/S:Realism A:Edouard Manet L:France C: -Olympia was a common "professional" name forin 19th centmore scandalous to viewing public, white female nude, except for black ribbon tied around neck, arm back,in hair, stylish shoes -she meets viewers eyes with a look ofindifference, black maid appears behind her with a bouquet of flowers from apublic and critics were, although prostitute pictures were not unheard of, it was the way she was unashamed and looking, -the black maid with the stark white contrast of the prostitutes skin made a reference to divisions, -his shifts in tonality are more abrupt, and brush strokes are rougher, not a smooth on her skin,
29-11		N:The Veteran in a New Field D:1865 P/S:Realism  A:Winslow Homer L:USA  C: -depicts a man with his back to the viewer, harvesting wheat, he is a as the title says and the uniform/canteen is strewn on ground, -his involvement in meaningful and productive work implies the smooth transition fromto turned from harvesting men to wheat, this was a national concern for the country at the time, and America's ability to smoothly transition its back to normal life spoke of the great- ness of the country, -also comments symbolically about, of the soldiers and Abraham Lincoln, by this time farmers used a new type of scythe and the fact that chose this single bladed scythe (a symbol of Death) it is an elegy to all the dead soldiers & the recently assassinated President
29-12		N:The Gross Clinic D:1875 P/S:Realism A:Thomas Eakins L:USA C: -depicts the famous surgeaon Dr. Samuelin his surgical amphitheater in the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia (where it now hangs), giving a, hands bloodied holding scalpel, surgery on a man's leg, accompanied by other known colleagues, and his mother who is closing her eyesveryreal, and the anesthetist present is indicative of the new (anesthetics introduced in 1846) -unsparing description of a contemporary event with morethan many cared to see.
29-13	かかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかかか	N:Horse Galloping D:1878 P/S:Realism A:Eadweard Muybridge L:USA C: -asked to help settle a, the gov. of Calif. asked Muybridge to prove that during a gallop there is a moment when all four feet are off ground -through his sequential photography he proved it was, -through his studies he created a series of multiple camera shots -he presented these studies with a device he called a zoopraxiscope, the result was lifelike the illusion of motion was created by a physical fact called "persistence of" and it is that the brain holds whatever it sees for a fraction of a second after the stops seeing it, so viewers saw a series of images merging into one into the next, -this illusion lies at the heart of the "realism" of all

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 ${f N}$  = name  ${f D}$  = date (century)  ${f P/S}$  = Period/Style  ${f A}$  = artist or architect  ${f Pa}$  = Patron  ${f L}$  = original location  ${f C}$  = context  ${f N}$  = notes of importance



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29-26		N:A Bar at the Folies-Bergere D:1882 P/S:Impressionism  A:Manet L:Paris, France  C: -The Folies-Bergere was a popular Parisianconcert, these cafes were fashionable places for throngs of revelers and many of the Impress ionists at them.  -depicts a who looks back at viewer but seems disinterested or lost in thought, she seems absent  -Manet blurred and roughly applied the paint, especially in the background, and effects of modeling are,  -at first glance it might appear that their is a of the barmaid's back, but spatially it would be impossible to see the reflection from that angle, you cannot make sense of the pictorial, is it a mirror or simply a background of the room.  N: Oil on Canvas
29-27		N:Ballet Rehearsal D:1874 P/S:Impressionism  A:Edgar Degas L:Paris, France  C: -they also depicted more formal leisure activites, and Edgar Degas had a facination with patterns of and it brought him to the Paris OPera and its to paint was classical ballet -in this picture he used several devices to bring the viewer into the pictorial space, cropping the, the windows, and the dancers on the right which are arranged in a random manner, in floor boards carry eyes into the lines of the dancers, also a large off center, empty space creates an illusion of a continuous floor that the is standing on, as if the same floor with the dancers, -light splotches, blurriness of images, and cut-off indicate the artists interest in creating a single momentInfluenced by Japanese wood-block prints and their use of apptial structure.
29-29		block prints and their use of spatial structure  N:Rouen Cathedral: The Portal (in Sun) D:1894 P/S:Impressionism  A:Monet L:Paris, France  C: -Monet once told a, to go out and forget about thethat you have in front of you, a boat, a house, a tree and instead try to think here is a small square of blue, an oblong of pink, and splotch of yellow.  -one of a series ofpainting of the same views of Rouen Cathedral, for each canvas in this series, he observed the same viewpoint, but at different times of the day, or under variouschanges,  -in this one it is depicted with the bright sunlight  -He was focusing onandto reach a greater understanding of form  N: Oil on Canvas
29-31		N:The Bath D:1892 P/S:Impressionism  A:Mary Cassat L:Paris, France  C: -a youngwoman, who exhibited with the Impressionists, as a woman she could not frequent theas often as her male counterparts and she had to take care of her aging parents, these two facts limited herchoices so she principally painted women and in this painting she show the tender relationship between a mother and her daughter, as in Degas's style the solidity of the figures contrasts with the flattened patterning of the&, this was influenced heavily by& prints, yet still has an originality all its own.



N: Oil on canvas, 6'9" X 10'

worker in left corner, to middle class man and woman seated next to him

29-37		N:Where do We Come From? What Are We? Where are We Going?  D:1897 P/S:Post-Impressionism A:Paul Gaugin L:Tahiti  C: -A Frenchman who settled in Tahiti, an economical place to and he had a restless search for subjects, France controlled Tahiti -he had spent time with Van Gogh, and is involved in Van. infamous cutting  -He moved to the countryside in Tahiti, where he expressed his fascination with life and brilliant color in a series of decorative canvas -based on native motifs and colors of the tropical of the islands, -plagued by bad, and his art not being well received he tried to suicide, this was his painting- a summary of his artistic methods= flat shapes of pure unmodulated color & his views on life, tropical scene with women and children, of life -his style and ideas became very influential to later generation or artists  N: oil on canvas, 12'3"X4'6"
29-40		N:Mont Sainte-Victoire D:1904 P/S:Post-Impressionism  A:Paul Cezanne L:France  C: -his aim was not truth in appearance (especially not photographic truth) but a lastingbehind the formless and fleeting visual info. the eyes absorb, so he attempted to intellectuallyhis lines, shapes, & colors that are found in nature. He constantly checked his paintings with the actual nature scene, -to create the illusion of depth he chose carefully selected colors,colors tend to recede, whilecolors advance, -like Monet and the Rouen Cathedral, he made many painting studies of the theSainte-Victoire, -"treat nature by the cylinder, the sphere, the cone"-revealing the underlying structure  N: oil on canvas, 2' X3'
29-41	Pisyans	N:The Basket of Apples D:1904 P/S:Post-Impressionism  A:Paul Cezanne L:France  C: -in this painting the apples and bottles have sort of lost their individual character and take on the condition of and cylinders -the was a good vehicle for the artist's experiments because he could arrange a limited number of precise objects, yet he was so analytical in his painting that he had to abandon using real fruits because they would rot, -while trying to capture the structure of color, he would move around the table and paint from different & ended up giving a look that is one cohesive picture but do not appear optically realistic, ex.= the table lines, some of the fruit -the effect is that you get 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional images simultaneously
29-45		N:The Sleeping Gypsy D:1897P/S:Symbolism A:Henri Rousseau L:France C: -an untrained painter, produced an art of & fantasy in a style that departed from the artistic taste of the time, he made up for his lack of visual, conceptual, and technical skill by an with exotic images and mysterious landscapes -this is his best known work, the figure is in a desert, silent and secret, and he is beneath a perfectly full moon, a lion that resembles a stuffed one, sniffs the gypsy, confronts the encounter when someone is menaced during, that sort of uneasiness of laying down to sleep
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29-46	N:The Scream D:1893 P/S:Symbolism  A:Edvard Munch L:Norway  C: -he felt humans were powerless before the great natural forces of  &
29-49	N:Walking Man D:1905 P/S:Late 19th Century sculpture/Modern A:Rodin Paunknown L:France C: -imbued with the realists spirit, he was fascinated by the human body in, aware of the Impressionists developments they influenced him in his concern for the effect of lighting on the 3-D surface, -felt the artist must learn to reproduce the surface, with all of its soul, love, passion, lifesculpture is the art of hollows &, not of smoothness & planes, -he sculpted with clay, and then would the clay for permanence -he captured a figure in mid stride, shifting weight across hips, he had areas of forceful reality and areas of modeling, where you can see the at work, -this was a sort of for a larger sculpture N: bronze, 6' 11"
9-50	N:Burghers of Calais D:1889 P/S:Late 19th century Sculpture/ Modern A:Rodin Pa: French Government L:France C: -this commissioned to commemorate aevent in the Hundred Year War, During the English seige in Calais, France (1347) six of the city'sagreed to offer their lives in return for the English Kings promise to spare the rest of the populace, -Each figure is a convincing study of despair, resignation, quiet defiance -instead of a tight composition, they seem toaimlessly, roughly textured surface adds to the, -he wanted the figures at eye level, so that common man could feel one with these heroic men and see their sacrifice, the government found his realism so offensive that they banished the monument to a remote site and placed it on apedestal, -many of his pieces were left unfinished purposely to givefeel
29-53	N:Staircase in the Van Eetvelde House D:1895 P/S:Art Nouveau A:Victor Horta Pa:Van Eetvelde Family L:Brussels, Belgium C: -first instance of Art Nouveau, every detail functions as part of awhole, furniture, drapery folds, veining in the lavish stone paneling, door moldings, metallic tendrils curl around the railings and posts, delicate metal designs fill thedomeprints,

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N:The Peacock Skirt D:1894 P/S:Art Nouveau

A:Aubrey Beardsley Pa: Oscar Wilde's Salome L: England

C: -an illustration for a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Salome, by Oscar Wilde,
 - a dazzingly decorative composition perfectly characteristic of his\_\_\_\_\_
 -\_\_\_\_\_\_print is obvious, but the incorporated his own style into it, confined himself to lines and patterns of \_\_\_\_\_\_&\_\_\_\_, eliminating all shading, his lines enclose\_\_\_\_\_\_\_shapes that lie flat on the surface,
 -he died at age\_\_\_\_\_\_, expressed the ideal of "art for art's sake"

N:Casa mila D:1907 P/S:Art Nouveau

A:Antonio Gaudi L:Barcelona, Spain

C: -Spanish\_\_\_\_\_\_, longed to create a style that was both modern & appropriate to his Spanish\_\_\_\_\_,
-he conceived a building as a whole and constructed it like a \_\_\_\_\_ might mold something from clay, he came up with new architectural \_\_\_\_\_ in order to implement his vision,
-this is an\_\_\_\_\_ building, that wraps around a corner of a building, lacy iron railings for the balconies enliven the cut stone, small windows cut through the tiled roof, capped with fantastically writhing\_\_\_\_\_, rough cut stones, suggest naturally worn rock, the entrance portals look

like\_\_\_\_\_, reflecting an excitement that swept Spain following the 1879 discovery of the paleolithic\_\_\_\_\_at Altamira

N:The Kiss D:1908 P/S:Fin de Siecle

sensuous images

A:Gustav Klimt L:Austria

C: -captures the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of this time period, fin de siecle culture=
turn of the century culture, prosperous \_\_\_\_\_ class determined to live
the good life evolved into a culture of \_\_\_\_\_ & decadence (the
word 'decadent' is often used to describe corrosive decline due to an
erosion of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_ traditions.)
-depicted a couple locked in an embrace, all that is visible of the people
are their heads, hands, and her feet, the rest of the painting dissolves
into shimmering patterns, (clear ties to \_\_\_\_\_) also the conflict
between 2 and 3 dimensional painting,
-paintings like this were visual manifestations of the fin de siecle spirit
because they capture the decadence conveyed by \_\_\_\_ and

N:Lotus Table Lamp D:1905 P/S:Art Nouveau/ Fin de Siecle
A:Louis Comfort Tiffany L:USA
C: -objects such as furniture, lights, rugs, and wall paper design were
\_\_\_\_\_\_by the sensous opulence of the time period,

-this stained glass lamp is an excellent example of the goods that could be purchased by the \_\_\_\_\_\_, this was the most expensive lamp sold at Tiffany Studio in 1906, \$750.00, -Because of the expense, labor and time involved they would only make at a time. This ensured the high-quality so prized by the

arts and crafts movement whose ideas took root in America
-\_\_\_\_commissioned work from him
-Family is the Tiffany & Co. jewelry designers

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