

Who was Andy Warhol?

An American painter, movie maker and leading figure with the pop art revolution

Pop art is - art based on modern popular culture and the mass media, especially as a critical or ironic comment on traditional fine art values

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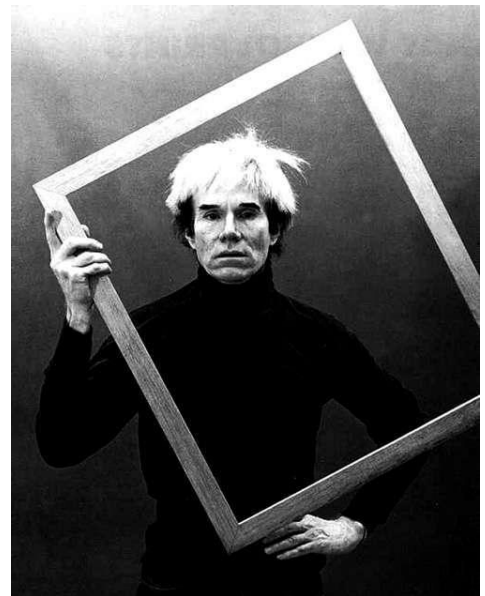
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First paintings

His first Comic-strip paintings are of cartoon series and the first picture-figures adds on bottles of Coca-Cola

Then he began to paint the first images with dollar bills and cans of Campbell soup

In the 70 's and 80 's he made serigraphy's of famous people like Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley

Cans, bottles and famous people are the main themes in the making of Warhol

Style

He often used the principle of repetition of a single theme in the paintings on their different color variations. No distinction as to whether they were mere objects or faces of famous actresses, politicians or other celebrities.

These people are also concerned, reported on his paintings by modern society, politics and advertising industry.

Warhol often used gaudy neon colors, effects of the modern environment.

Did you know?

Andy Warhol has a museum in Slovakia in a town called Medzilaborce

The Museum has been opened 30. June 1991 thanks to Vice President of the Andy Warhol Foundation Warhol John initiative in New York City and other enthusiastic promoters of the founder of the pop art

The Museum has three permanent exhibitions comprised of works by Andy Warhol, his elder brother-amateur artist Paula and James, who is the nephew of professional artists

The Museum collection is oriented so that the individual works are representative of the most important stages of Warhol's making

Something interesting before we finish

Warhol was a Catholic and a homosexual. Nevertheless, he often went to the church, but he always sat

away from the people so that they wouldn't be able to see him. "He believed, but didn't speak about it because he wanted to keep it private," said his brother.

Quotes

In the future, everyone will be world famous for 15 minutes.

They always say time changes things, but you actually have to change them yourself.

I love Los Angeles. I love Hollywood. They're beautiful. Everybody's plastic, but I love plastic. I want to be plastic.

My new line is, 'In fifteen minutes everybody will be famous.'

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