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This exhibition of the art of Pablo Picasso is a joint undertaking of the Art Institute of Chicago and the Museum of Modern Art in New York. As long ago as 1931 the Museum of Modern Art had begun work on a Picasso exhibition but for various reasons it had to be postponed. These disappointments however have proved in the end to be fortunate, for in the past eight years Picasso has produced works which greatly enrich a retrospective exhibition. Furthermore, the support and influential sponsorship provided by the Chicago institution have made possible a more complete exhibition than would have been undertaken by either museum alone.

Any retrospective of the work of so fecund and versatile a genius as Picasso can lay no claims to completeness even with over three hundred items in its catalog. Those who may use this book as a survey of his art must make allowances for certain omissions and certain redundancies which are unavoidable in an exhibition. Fortunately a large proportion of the European loans were brought to this country before the outbreak of the war; possibly fifteen other loans from England and France may yet be added in spite of the war, but a few important loans will probably have to be abandoned. Most of the doubtful European loans are listed and some are illustrated so that the original symmetry of the exhibition can at least be preserved in this catalog. The most serious disappointment caused by the war is the absence of a large and very important group of Picasso's recent sculpture some of which was being cast especially for the show. Even the photographs of these have been delayed. The exhibition is however the most comprehensive presentation of Picasso's work so far assembled and includes almost all of his eight or ten capital works.

This publication and in large part the exhibition which it records are the work of the staff of the Museum of Modern Art, though the Art Institute has rendered valuable service in giving information and supporting requests for loans. It is hoped that in the future the two museums may be partners in another important exhibition for which the Chicago staff will be primarily responsible.

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I can hardly understand the importance given to the word *research* in connection with modern painting. In my opinion to search means nothing in painting. To find, is the thing. Nobody is interested in following a man who, with his eyes fixed on the ground, spends his life looking for the pocketbook that fortune should put in his path. The one who finds something no matter what it might be, even if his intention were not to search for it, at least arouses our curiosity, if not our admiration.

Among the several sins that I have been accused of committing, none is more false than the one that I have, as the principal objective in my work, the spirit of research. When I paint my object is to show what I have found and not what I am looking for. In art intentions are not sufficient and, as we say in Spanish: love must be proved by facts and not by reasons. What one does is what counts and not what one had the intention of doing.
We all know that art is not truth. Art is a lie that makes us realize truth, at least the truth that is given us to understand. The artist must know the manner whereby to convince others of the truthfulness of his lies. If he only shows in his work that he has searched, and re-searched, for the way to put over his lies, he would never accomplish anything.

The idea of research has often made painting go astray, and made the artist lose himself in mental lucubrations. Perhaps this has been the principal fault of modern art. The spirit of research has poisoned those who have not fully understood all the positive and conclusive elements in modern art and has made them attempt to paint the invisible and, therefore, the unpaintable.

They speak of naturalism in opposition to modern painting. I would like to know if anyone has ever seen a natural work of art. Nature and art, being two different things, cannot be the same thing. Through art we express our conception of what nature is not.

Velasquez left us his idea of the people of his epoch. Undoubtedly they were different from what he painted them, but we cannot conceive a Philip IV in any other way than the one Velasquez painted. Rubens also made a portrait of the same king and in Rubens' portrait he seems to be quite another person. We believe in the one painted by Velasquez, for he convinces us by his right of might.

From the painters of the origins, the primitives, whose work is obviously different from nature, down to those artists who, like David, Ingres and even Bouguereau, believed in painting nature as it is, art has always been art and not nature. And from the point of view of art there are no concrete or abstract forms, but only forms which are more or less convincing lies. That those lies are necessary to our mental selves is beyond any doubt, as it is through them that we form our aesthetic point of view of life.

Cubism is no different from any other school of painting. The same principles and the same elements are common to all. The fact that for a long time cubism has not been understood and that even today there are people who cannot see anything in it, means nothing. I do not read English, an English book is a blank book to me. This does not mean that the English language
does not exist, and why should I blame anybody else but myself if I cannot understand what I know nothing about?

I also often hear the word evolution. Repeatedly I am asked to explain how my painting evolved. To me there is no past or future in art. If a work of art cannot live always in the present it must not be considered at all. The art of the Greeks, of the Egyptians, of the great painters who lived in other times, is not an art of the past; perhaps it is more alive today than it ever was. Art does not evolve by itself, the ideas of people change and with them their mode of expression. When I hear people speak of the evolution of an artist, it seems to me that they are considering him standing between two mirrors that face each other and reproduce his image an infinite number of times, and that they contemplate the successive images of one mirror as his past, and the images of the other mirror as his future, while his real image is taken as his present. They do not consider that they all are the same images in different planes.

Variation does not mean evolution. If an artist varies his mode of expression this only means that he has changed his manner of thinking, and in changing, it might be for the better or it might be for the worse.

The several manners I have used in my art must not be considered as an evolution, or as steps toward an unknown ideal of painting. All I have ever made was made for the present and with the hope that it will always remain in the present. I have never taken into consideration the spirit of research. When I have found something to express, I have done it without thinking of the past or of the future. I do not believe I have used radically different elements in the different manners I have used in painting. If the subjects I have wanted to express have suggested different ways of expression I have never hesitated to adopt them. I have never made trials nor experiments. Whenever I had something to say, I have said it in the manner in which I have felt it ought to be said. Different motives inevitably require different methods of expression. This does not imply either evolution or progress, but an adaptation of the idea one wants to express and the means to express that idea.

Arts of transition do not exist. In the chronological history of art there
are periods which are more positive, more complete than others. This means that there are periods in which there are better artists than in others. If the history of art could be graphically represented, as in a chart used by a nurse to mark the changes of temperature of her patient, the same silhouettes of mountains would be shown, proving that in art there is no ascendant progress, but that it follows certain ups and downs that might occur at any time. The same occurs with the work of an individual artist.

Many think that cubism is an art of transition, an experiment which is to bring ulterior results. Those who think that way have not understood it. Cubism is not either a seed or a foetus, but an art dealing primarily with forms, and when a form is realized it is there to live its own life. A mineral substance, having geometric formation, is not made so for transitory purposes, it is to remain what it is and will always have its own form. But if we are to apply the law of evolution and transformism to art, then we have to admit that all art is transitory. On the contrary, art does not enter into these philosophic absolutisms. If cubism is an art of transition I am sure that the only thing that will come out of it is another form of cubism.

Mathematics, trigonometry, chemistry, psychoanalysis, music, and whatnot, have been related to cubism to give it an easier interpretation. All this has been pure literature, not to say nonsense, which brought bad results, blinding people with theories.

Cubism has kept itself within the limits and limitations of painting, never pretending to go beyond it. Drawing, design and color are understood and practiced in cubism in the same spirit and manner that they are understood and practiced in all other schools. Our subjects might be different, as we have introduced into painting objects and forms that were formerly ignored. We have kept our eyes open to our surroundings, and also our brains.

We give to form and color all their individual significance, as far as we can see it; in our subjects we keep the joy of discovery, the pleasure of the unexpected; our subject itself must be a source of interest. But of what use is it to say what we do when everybody can see it if he wants to?
STATEMENT BY PICASSO: 1935

Christian Zervos put down these remarks of Picasso immediately after a conversation with him at Boisgeloup, his country place, in 1935. When Zervos wanted to show Picasso his notes Picasso replied: “You don’t need to show them to me. The essential thing in our period of weak morale is to create enthusiasm. How many people have actually read Homer? All the same the whole world talks of him. In this way the homeric legend is created. A legend in this sense provokes a valuable stimulus. Enthusiasm is what we need most, we and the younger generation.”

Zervos reports however that Picasso did actually go over the notes and approved them informally. They were published under the title Conversation avec Picasso in “Cahiers d’Art,” 1935, volume 10, number 10, pages 173-8. The following translation is based on one by Myfanwy Evans.

We might adopt for the artist the joke about there being nothing more dangerous than implements of war in the hands of generals. In the same way, there is nothing more dangerous than justice in the hands of judges, and a paintbrush in the hands of a painter. Just think of the danger to society! But today we haven’t the heart to expel the painters and poets from society because we refuse to admit to ourselves that there is any danger in keeping them in our midst.

It is my misfortune — and probably my delight — to use things as my passions tell me. What a miserable fate for a painter who adores blondes to have to stop himself putting them into a picture because they don’t go with the basket of fruit! How awful for a painter who loathes apples to have to use them all the time because they go so well with the cloth. I put all the things I like into my pictures. The things — so much the worse for them; they just have to put up with it.

In the old days pictures went forward toward completion by stages. Every day brought something new. A picture used to be a sum of additions. In my case a picture is a sum of destructions. I do a picture — then I destroy it. In
the end, though, nothing is lost: the red I took away from one place turns up somewhere else.

It would be very interesting to preserve photographically, not the stages, but the metamorphoses of a picture. Possibly one might then discover the path followed by the brain in materializing a dream. But there is one very odd thing — to notice that basically a picture doesn’t change, that the first “vision” remains almost intact, in spite of appearances. I often ponder on a light and a dark when I have put them into a picture; I try hard to break them up by interpolating a color that will create a different effect. When the work is photographed, I note that what I put in to correct my first vision has disappeared, and that, after all, the photographic image corresponds with my first vision before the transformation I insisted on.

A picture is not thought out and settled beforehand. While it is being done it changes as one’s thoughts change. And when it is finished, it still goes on changing, according to the state of mind of whoever is looking at it. A picture lives a life like a living creature, undergoing the changes imposed on us by our life from day to day. This is natural enough, as the picture lives only through the man who is looking at it.

At the actual time that I am painting a picture I may think of white and put down white. But I can’t go on working all the time thinking of white and painting it. Colors, like features, follow the changes of the emotions. You’ve seen the sketch I did for a picture with all the colors indicated on it. What is left of them? Certainly the white I thought of and the green I thought of are there in the picture, but not in the places I intended, nor in the same quantities. Of course, you can paint pictures by matching up different parts of them so that they go quite nicely together, but they’ll lack any kind of drama.

I want to get to the stage where nobody can tell how a picture of mine is done. What’s the point of that? Simply that I want nothing but emotion to be given off by it.

Work is a necessity for man.
A horse does not go between the shafts of its own accord.
Man invented the alarm clock.
When I begin a picture, there is somebody who works with me. Toward the end, I get the impression that I have been working alone — without a collaborator.

When you begin a picture, you often make some pretty discoveries. You must be on guard against these. Destroy the thing, do it over several times. In each destroying of a beautiful discovery, the artist does not really suppress it, but rather transforms it, condenses it, makes it more substantial. What comes out in the end is the result of discarded finds. Otherwise, you become your own connoisseur. I sell myself nothing!

Actually, you work with few colors. But they seem like a lot more when each one is in the right place.

Abstract art is only painting. What about drama?

There is no abstract art. You must always start with something. Afterward you can remove all traces of reality. There’s no danger then, anyway, because the idea of the object will have left an indelible mark. It is what started the artist off, excited his ideas, and stirred up his emotions. Ideas and emotions will in the end be prisoners in his work. Whatever they do, they can’t escape from the picture. They form an integral part of it, even when their presence is no longer discernible. Whether he likes it or not, man is the instrument of nature. It forces on him its character and appearance. In my Dinard pictures and in my Pourville pictures I expressed very much the same vision. However, you yourself have noticed how different the atmosphere of those painted in Brittany is from those painted in Normandy, because you recognized the light of the Dieppe cliffs. I didn’t copy this light nor did I pay it any special attention. I was simply soaked in it. My eyes saw it and my subconscious registered what they saw: my hand fixed the impression. One cannot go against nature. It is stronger than the strongest man. It is pretty much to our interest to be on good terms with it! We may allow ourselves certain liberties, but only in details.

Nor is there any “figurative” and “non-figurative” art. Everything appears to us in the guise of a “figure.” Even in metaphysics ideas are expressed by means of symbolic “figures.” See how ridiculous it is then to think of painting
without “figuration.” A person, an object, a circle are all “figures”; they react on us more or less intensely. Some are nearer our sensations and produce emotions that touch our affective faculties; others appeal more directly to the intellect. They all should be allowed a place because I find my spirit has quite as much need of emotion as my senses. Do you think it concerns me that a particular picture of mine represents two people? Though these two people once existed for me, they exist no longer. The “vision” of them gave me a preliminary emotion; then little by little their actual presences became blurred; they developed into a fiction and then disappeared altogether, or rather they were transformed into all kinds of problems. They are no longer two people, you see, but forms and colors: forms and colors that have taken on, meanwhile, the idea of two people and preserve the vibration of their life.

I deal with painting as I deal with things. I paint a window just as I look out of a window. If an open window looks wrong in a picture, I draw the curtain and shut it, just as I would in my own room. In painting, as in life, you must act directly. Certainly, painting has its conventions, and it is essential to reckon with them. Indeed, you can’t do anything else. And so you always ought to keep an eye on real life.

The artist is a receptacle for emotions that come from all over the place: from the sky, from the earth, from a scrap of paper, from a passing shape, from a spider’s web. That is why we must not discriminate between things. Where things are concerned there are no class distinctions. We must pick out what is good for us where we can find it — except from our own works. I have a horror of copying myself. But when I am shown a portfolio of old drawings, for instance, I have no qualms about taking anything I want from them.

When we invented cubism we had no intention whatever of inventing cubism. We wanted simply to express what was in us. Not one of us drew up a plan of campaign, and our friends, the poets, followed our efforts attentively, but they never dictated to us. Young painters today often draw up a program to follow, and apply themselves like diligent students to performing their tasks.

The painter goes through states of fullness and evacuation. That is the whole secret of art. I go for a walk in the forest of Fontainebleau. I get “green”
indigestion. I must get rid of this sensation into a picture. Green rules it. A painter paints to unload himself of feelings and visions. People seize on painting to cover up their nakedness. They get what they can wherever they can. In the end I don't believe they get anything at all. They've simply cut a coat to the measure of their own ignorance. They make everything, from God to a picture, in their own image. That is why the picture-hook is the ruination of a painting — a painting which has always a certain significance, at least as much as the man who did it. As soon as it is bought and hung on a wall, it takes on quite a different kind of significance, and the painting is done for.

Academic training in beauty is a sham. We have been deceived, but so well deceived that we can scarcely get back even a shadow of the truth. The beauties of the Parthenon, Venuses, Nymphs, Narcissuses, are so many lies. Art is not the application of a canon of beauty but what the instinct and the brain can conceive beyond any canon. When we love a woman we don't start measuring her limbs. We love with our desires — although everything has been done to try and apply a canon even to love. The Parthenon is really only a farmyard over which someone put a roof; colonnades and sculptures were added because there were people in Athens who happened to be working, and wanted to express themselves. It's not what the artist does that counts, but what he is. Cézanne would never have interested me a bit if he had lived and thought like Jacques Emile Blanche, even if the apple he painted had been ten times as beautiful. What forces our interest is Cézanne's anxiety — that's Cézanne's lesson; the torments of van Gogh — that is the actual drama of the man. The rest is a sham.

Everyone wants to understand art. Why not try to understand the song of a bird? Why does one love the night, flowers, everything around one, without trying to understand them? But in the case of a painting people have to understand. If only they would realize above all that an artist works of necessity, that he himself is only a trifling bit of the world, and that no more importance should be attached to him than to plenty of other things which please us in the world, though we can't explain them. People who try to explain pictures are usually barking up the wrong tree. Gertrude Stein joyfully announced to
me the other day that she had at last understood what my picture of the three musicians was meant to be. It was a still life!

How can you expect an onlooker to live a picture of mine as I lived it? A picture comes to me from miles away: who is to say from how far away I sensed it, saw it, painted it; and yet the next day I can’t see what I’ve done myself. How can anyone enter into my dreams, my instincts, my desires, my thoughts, which have taken a long time to mature and to come out into the daylight, and above all grasp from them what I have been about — perhaps against my own will?

With the exception of a few painters who are opening new horizons to painting, young painters today don’t know which way to go. Instead of taking up our researches in order to react clearly against us, they are absorbed with bringing the past back to life — when truly the whole world is open before us, everything waiting to be done, not just redone. Why cling desperately to everything that has already fulfilled its promise? There are miles of painting “in the manner of”; but it is rare to find a young man working in his own way.

Does he wish to believe that man can’t repeat himself? To repeat is to run counter to spiritual laws; essentially escapism.

I’m no pessimist, I don’t loathe art, because I couldn’t live without devoting all my time to it. I love it as the only end of my life. Everything I do connected with it gives me intense pleasure. But still, I don’t see why the whole world should be taken up with art, demand its credentials, and on that subject give free rein to its own stupidity. Museums are just a lot of lies, and the people who make art their business are mostly imposters. I can’t understand why revolutionary countries should have more prejudices about art than out-of-date countries! We have infected the pictures in museums with all our stupidities, all our mistakes, all our poverty of spirit. We have turned them into petty and ridiculous things. We have been tied up to a fiction, instead of trying to sense what inner life there was in the men who painted them. There ought to be an absolute dictatorship . . . a dictatorship of painters . . . a dictatorship of one painter . . . to suppress all those who have betrayed us, to
suppress the cheaters, to suppress the tricks, to suppress mannerisms, to sup-
press charm, to suppress history, to suppress a heap of other things. But com-
mon sense always gets away with it. Above all, let’s have a revolution against
that! The true dictator will always be conquered by the dictatorship of com-
mon sense . . . and maybe not!
BRIEF CHRONOLOGY

1881: Born Malaga, Spain.
1896: Family moved to Barcelona; studied at Barcelona and Madrid Academies.
1901(late)-1904(early): "Blue" period, Paris, Barcelona. Has lived since 1904 in Paris except during the summers.
1905: "Harlequin" period. Sculpture; prints.
1905(late)-1906: "Rose" period, Paris, Gosol.
1907-1908: "Negro" period.
1912-1914: Pasted paper (papier collé); relief constructions in wood.
1913, on: "Synthetic" cubism, a method of composition which he has used with modifications and together with other styles almost to the present time.
1915: Realistic portrait drawings mark first departure from cubist technique.
1917: To Italy for a month with Russian Ballet for which he made designs until 1924.
1918-1925: "Classic" style which he continues to use in prints and drawings almost to the present time. Married (1918); son born (1920); portraits.
1925 to the present time: Picasso has invented or adapted a great variety of styles and techniques in many media. Much of his work, especially since 1925, in its fantastic or grotesque character suggests sympathy with the Surrealists who have been among his friends in recent years.
1928, on: Sculpture and constructions.
1937: Guernica mural.

(A chronology of Picasso's Paris and summer addresses is given on page 197.)

The catalog is arranged in approximately chronological order. Every effort has been made to represent the full range and variety of Picasso's art but there are certain unavoidable omissions, notably among his portraits and early works, which the artist did not want represented, and in the sculpture of the last twelve years which could not be included because of the European War.

KEY

Oil paintings are on canvas, so far as known, unless otherwise noted.

(dated) following a date means that the date appears on the picture.

In dimensions, height precedes width.

Abbreviations:

bibl. refers to the numbered bibliography, page 200.
G. refers to the catalogue raisonné of Picasso's prints by Bernhard Geiser (bibl. 91).
K. following a date means that the date has been given or confirmed by D. H. Kahnweiler.
P. following a date means that Picasso has confirmed the date.
1. Roses. 1898. Oil, 14\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 16\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by the Bignou Gallery. Reproduced Z., pl. 6.

2. The Artist's Sister. Barcelona, 1899 (P). Oil, 59 x 39\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by the artist.
Pablo Ruiz Picasso was born on October 25, 1881, in Malaga on the Mediterranean coast of Spain. His father, José Ruiz Blasco, was an art teacher who, some fifteen years after Picasso’s birth, became a professor at the Barcelona Academy of Fine Arts; his mother was María Picasso. As is customary in Spain Picasso used his mother’s name and after 1901 dropped Ruiz entirely from his signature.

Picasso from a very early age showed extraordinary talent. His father encouraged and guided his studies until in 1896 he passed the entrance tests for the Barcelona Academy, taking only one day for an examination so difficult that a whole month was ordinarily allowed for its completion. A few months later he repeated this prodigious performance at Madrid. But he soon grew so bored with the sterile atmosphere of the Madrid Academy that he returned to Barcelona to set himself up as an independent artist at the age of sixteen.

At first Picasso painted studies of beggars as Spanish in their intense sombre realism as a Zurbarán or early Velasquez. His Roses of 1898 (no. 1) is still timid technically, but the portrait of his sister (no. 2) of the following year shows a considerable mastery of soft sweeping forms not far removed, except for the silvery tone, from the late style of Renoir. All during this period of rapid development Picasso was drawing incessantly, filling sketch books with notes on the street scenes and night life of Barcelona, caricatures and portrait studies, among them the self-portrait in crayon made during a visit to Madrid (no. 3). It is significant that among these pre-Paris studies are certain works which anticipate the concern for human suffering and poverty which was to appear so often in his work during the first five years of the 20th century.
Picasso came to Paris for the first time late in October 1900, within a few days of his 19th birthday. There he continued to paint cabaret and street scenes of which the sultry Moulin de la Galette (no. 5) is the most important. This picture and drawings of the same period (no. 4) suggest the influence of such painters as Steinlen and Toulouse-Lautrec. He returned to Spain before Christmas, but Paris attracted him irresistibly and by spring he was back again. He had spent the winter in Madrid where besides painting he published several issues of a magazine “Arte Joven.”

In Paris Picasso studied the work of the vanguard, of Gauguin, van Gogh, Toulouse-Lautrec, Vuillard, Denis, and of the older men Degas, Renoir and the Impressionists. During much of 1901 he painted lustily with a rich palette and impressionist brushwork (nos. 9, 10), suddenly, but characteristically, reversing his style in a series of flat, decorative figure pieces such as the Harlequin (no. 12). He even tried his hand at a poster (no. 14) in the manner of Chéret and Lautrec. In June of 1901 he exhibited a group of canvases at Vollard’s and thereby came to know Max Jacob, the poet, who was for years afterwards an intimate and most loyal friend.

4. Heads and figures (Scène de bar): page from a sketchbook. Paris, 1900? Conté crayon, 5\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 8\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

5. Le Moulin de la Galette. Paris, 1900(Z). Oil on canvas, 35\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 45\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by J. Thannhauser. According to the lender, Picasso said recently that this was his first painting done in Paris.

6. Old Musician. 1900? Pencil, 17\(\frac{1}{8}\) x 11\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.


The warm color and rich impressionist surface are characteristic of this time in Picasso's development.


For a brief moment before the Blue Period began, Picasso painted in this decorative poster-like manner, possibly under the influence of van Gogh, Maurice Denis and Vuillard.
13. Burial. Paris, 1901? Pencil and watercolor, 16½ x 19½ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr. Apparently related to two similar subjects in oil, Le Mort, and Evocation, both painted in Paris in 1901 (Z., pl. 24, 25). They were among Picasso’s first efforts at figure composition in the grand style. This drawing has also been dated 1904.

Toward the end of 1901 Picasso began to use a pervasive blue tone in his paintings—a tone in harmony with the murky and sometimes heavy-handed pathos of his subject matter—poverty-stricken mothers, wan harlots with femme fatale masks and blind beggars.

15. The Blue Room (Le Tub; Interior with a Bather; Early Morning). Paris, 1901. Oil, 20 x 24½ inches. Lent by the Phillips Memorial Gallery, Washington. Represents Picasso's studio at 130ter, Boulevard Clichy, in 1901. The poster on the wall is by Toulouse Lautrec. (Compare Picasso's own design for a poster, no. 14.) Exhibited with fourteen other works by Picasso at the Galerie Berthe Weill, April, 1902. The Blue Room is one of the first Blue Period canvases.


His most ambitious work of the Blue Period is La Vie of 1903 in which he endows a salon “problem” subject with serious statuesque dignity (no. 19).

La Vie, Two Women at a Bar, the Old Guitarist and many other important works of the Blue Period were done in Barcelona where Picasso lived much of the time during the years 1902 and 1903 returning to Paris to settle permanently only at the beginning of 1904. These were “blue” years of poverty and disappointment.
20. The Old Guitarist. Barcelona, 1903 (Z). Oil on panel, 47 3/4 x 32 1/2 inches. The Art Institute of Chicago, Helen Birch Bartlett Memorial Collection.


Throughout Picasso's career he has again and again used figure styles which seem closely related to the "mannerist" art of the late 16th century. The elongations, the insistent pathos, the cramped postures or affected gestures of the Old Guitarist (no. 20), the Beggar (no. 22), the Frugal Repast (no. 26) were possibly influenced by the great Spanish mannerists Morales and El Greco.

Early in 1904 the Blue Period came to an end; but for a while the rhetoric, the attenuated hands and mannered poses of 1903 grew even more exaggerated in such works as the perverse Woman with a Crow, the angular and terrible Woman Ironing and the Actor (nos. 25, 27, 29). Then, gradually, these mannerisms gave way to the more natural style and melancholy sweetness of the long series of saltimbanques, acrobats and harlequins of 1905 (nos. 30, 31, 47). Color, too, dispersed the blue gloom of 1903, but it was for the most part subdued and subtle, in harmony with a new delicacy both of drawing and of sentiment.

The poetic charm and repose of this “saltimbanque” period in comparison with the tension of 1902 to 1904 is very probably a reflection of Picasso’s own improved circumstances for during 1905 he began to have a moderate success. He was surrounded by brilliant friends, among them Max Jacob, Guillaume Apollinaire (see nos. 41, 50), André Salmon and Gustave Coquiot; and discerning collectors such as the Americans Leo and Gertrude Stein (no. 65) and the Russian Shchukine began to buy his work.

26. The Frugal Repast. 1904. Etching on zinc, 18 3/8 x 14 7/8 inches; 2nd state, before steel-facing (G. 2, IIa). Lent by Alfred Stieglitz. This copy was bought from Picabia and exhibited at Mr. Stieglitz’ gallery “291” in 1915.


31. Two Acrobats with a Dog. Paris, 1905 (dated). Gouache, 41\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 29\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by J. Thannhauser.
In 1905 the dealer Ambroise Vollard cast a series of bronzes modeled by Picasso. This Head of a Jester is related to paintings of actors and clowns of the same year (cf. Zervos pl. 125). Apparently somewhat later are the bronze head and figure (nos. 59, 60). Except for a few isolated, though important, experiments (nos. 83, 115, 119), Picasso was not to take up sculpture seriously again for over twenty years.
In 1905 Picasso made a series of some sixteen drypoints and etchings which in their sensitive lyricism epitomize his work of that year. Only a few of each were printed by Delâtre and signed by the artist. Late in 1913 the plates were acquired by Vollard, who steel-faced them and reprinted them, together with the Frugal Repast of 1904, in an edition of 250 copies of each.

33. The Poor Family. 1905. Etching on zinc, 9 1/4 x 7 inches; 2nd state (G. 4, IIb). Lent by Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.


38. The Watering Place. 1905. Drypoint, 4 3/4 x 7 1/8 inches; proof (G. 10a). Lent by Jean Goriany. Compare with the gouache, no. 52.

40. Clown Resting. 1905. Drypoint, 4\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 3\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches; proof (G. 12a). Lent by Jean Gorjiany.

41. The Bath. 1905. Drypoint, 13\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 11\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches; 1st state, early proof, before steel-facing (G. 14a). Lent by the Weyhe Gallery. Inscribed to Guillaume Apollinaire.

42. The Mother Dressing. 1905. Etching on zinc, 9\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 6\(\frac{7}{8}\) inches (G. 15b). Collection the Art Institute of Chicago.

43. Salome. 1905. Drypoint, 15\(\frac{1}{8}\) x 13\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches; proof before steel-facing (G. 17a). Lent by the Weyhe Gallery. Inscribed to Monsieur Delâtre, the original publisher of this series of prints.
44. The Dance. 1905. Drypoint, 7\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 9\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches (G. 18b). Lent by Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Compare with the drawing, no. 49.

45. Bust of a Woman. 1905-06. Woodcut, 8\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 5\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches (G. 211). Lent by Jean Goriany. Geiser states that only eight proofs are known.

46. Bust of a Young Woman. 1906. Woodcut, 16\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 12\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches (G. 212). Lent by the Brooklyn Museum.
48. Cocks. 1905? Gouache, $8\frac{3}{8} \times 9\frac{7}{8}$ inches. Lent by Miss Harriet Levy.

49. "Danse barbare." 1905? Ink, $15\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Lent by Miss Harriet Levy. Compare with the drypoint, The Dance of 1905, no. 44, and the drawing, La belle qui passe (Stein, bibl. 206 Eng. ed., pl. 54).

50. "EX-LIBRIS: Guillaume Apollinaire." Paris, 1905(Z). Ink and watercolor, $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr. Reproduced Z., pl. 100. Apollinaire was later to be the brilliant champion of cubism.

51. La Coiffure. Paris, 1905(Z). Oil, $68\frac{7}{8} \times 39\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Collection the Museum of Modern Art New York. Reproduced Z., pl. 41

A visit to Holland in the summer of 1905 marked a further advance toward a more objective mood in Picasso’s art and toward forms of greater weight and monumentality, a direction which he followed consistently through the Rose Period of 1905-06 almost to the time of the Demoiselles d’Avignon painted a year later.

53. Youth on Horseback. Paris, 1905. Charcoal, 18 3/8 x 12 inches. Lent by John W. Warrington. Study for a composition of men and horses of which the gouache, no. 52, is the most complete version. (Compare Z., pl. 118.)

55. Woman with a Fan (Femme au bras levé). Paris, 1905 (dated). Oil, 39 ½ x 32 inches. Lent by Mr. and Mrs. William Averell Harriman.
57. La Toilette. Gosol, 1905(Z). Oil, 59\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 39\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by the Buffalo Fine Arts Academy, Albright Art Gallery, Buffalo.
THE ROSE PERIOD. At Gosol in the Andorra valley of the Spanish Pyrenees, Picasso passed some weeks late in 1905 and again in 1906. During this time he left behind him the nostalgic introspective mood and the emaciated forms of the harlequins of the previous year. Without at first sacrificing charm, he began to paint figures of an impersonal placid dignity. He turned too from the superb color of the Woman with a Fan, no. 55, to a chalky terra cotta pink tonality only a little less pervasive than the monochrome of the Blue Period. The serenity, the graciousness of such early Rose Period paintings as La Toilette seem directly inspired by Greek art but the classicism evident here is more natural and informal than that of the highly sophisticated Greco-Roman figures of Picasso's post-War period.


The gradual change from an easy natural style to an almost archaic stiffness can be seen by comparing the gouache, no. 61, with the drawing, no. 63.
64. Figure Study, Back. 1906. Charcoal, 24 1/2 x 18 1/2 inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

63. Peasants from Andorra. 1906. Ink. 27 3/8 x 33 1/2 inches. Collection the Art Institute of Chicago, gift of Robert Allerton.
This monumental portrait, one of Picasso's most renowned works, and the Self Portrait, opposite, reveal the vigorous sculptural forms and mask-like faces which Picasso developed in 1906 toward the end of the Rose Period. Gertrude Stein was one of Picasso's chief patrons at this time and was later to write extensively about him (see bibl. 203-06).
67. Two Nudes. Paris, 1906(Z). Oil, 59\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 36\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Rosenberg and Helft Ltd.
THE “NEGRO” PERIOD
THE BEGINNING OF CUBISM

On October 25th, 1906, Picasso was twenty-five years old. During the previous five years he had produced over two hundred paintings and many hundreds of drawings, an output in quantity and quality such as few painters accomplish in a lifetime. But the Blue Period with its belated fin-de-siècle desperation, the wistful acrobats of 1905, the tranquil classicism of the Rose Period, all this cumulative achievement was, so far as the main highway of modern painting was concerned, a personal and private bypath.

But towards the end of 1906 Picasso changed the direction of his art and in so doing helped change to a remarkable extent the character of modern art as a whole. Cubism, the name subsequently given to this new direction, was not Picasso’s single-handed invention; it was in fact something of a collaborative venture to which Braque among others contributed importantly; it was nourished, too, in various ways by Cézanne, Henri Rousseau, Seurat, Negro sculpture, the critic Apollinaire, the dealer Kahnweiler. But it was above all the quality and power of Picasso’s art that made cubism the characteristic movement in the art of the first quarter of our century.

THE AUTUMN SALON OF 1905

In 1905, a year before, while Picasso was engaged in his soliloquy with harlequins, two events of great historic importance occurred at the Autumn Salon. The most conspicuous of these was the first exhibition of a group of young painters which a critic in derision called les fauves, the wild beasts. Braque, Friesz, Derain were among them and Matisse was their leader. The fauves seemed revolutionary because they had gone beyond Gauguin and van Gogh in their use of heavy distorted outlines and bold flat patterns of arbitrary color. Back of these violent innovations lay the idea that painting should be primarily an expression of pure esthetic experience and that the enjoyment of line and form and color was a sufficient end in itself. The representation of natural forms therefore seemed more or less irrelevant, though some resemblance to nature as a point of departure was not excluded. This emphatic declaration of art’s independence of nature was an important factor in the background of cubism. The fauves had also looked to exotic and primitive arts for sanction and inspiration and it was through them that Picasso came at this time under the influence of African Negro sculpture, the first of many non-European traditions which were to interest him in the course of his career.

The other significant event at the Autumn Salon of 1905 was a section of ten paintings by Cézanne whose importance had been obscured in the eyes of the young avant-garde by the more obvious and facile innovations of Gauguin and van Gogh. Ten more Cézannes were shown in 1906, the year he died, and fifty-six at a memorial exhibition in 1907. For about five years, from the end of 1906 on, the profound and difficult art of Cézanne exerted a strong influence upon Picasso.

Little affected at first by these events, Picasso’s own art prior to the end of 1906 had passed, on the plane of sentiment, from the near-bathos of the Blue Period through the gentle melancholy of the saltimbanques and the ingratiating detachment of the Rose figures to the comparatively impersonal masks of the Gertrude Stein and self portraits; and in figure style this change had been paralleled since 1904 by an ever increasing sculptural solidity of form. The Two Nudes, illustrated on the opposite page, painted late in 1906, are the logical conclusion of these two tendencies. Already influenced perhaps by the squat proportions of West African sculpture, these massive figures seem an emphatic expression of Picasso’s denial both of sentiment and of traditional or conventional beauty; positively the Two Nudes are an assertion of his growing interest in objective esthetic problems, in this case the creation of volumes and masses and their composition within the painted space of the picture. It is instructive to turn back to earlier two-figure compositions, the Harlequin Family (no. 47) and later La Toilette (no. 57). The Two Nudes is the end of the series.

LES DEMOISELLES D’AVIGNON

What happened next in Picasso's art is concentrated in one extraordinary picture, the Demoiselles d'Avignon, begun toward the end of 1906 and finished in 1907 after months of development and revision (no. 71). As the first of the three studies (no. 68) suggests, the composition of the Demoiselles is probably inspired by one of Cézanne’s late bath pictures in which the figures and background are fused in a kind of relief without much indication either of deep space or of weight in the forms. It is also possible that memories of El Greco’s compact figure compositions and the angular highlights of his draperies, rocks and skies may have
confirmed the suggestions drawn from Cézanne. More conspicuous is the archaic schematic drawing possibly under the influence of Negro sculpture. The masks of the figures at the right are more directly derived from Negro art of the Ivory Coast or French Congo and surpass in their barbaric intensity the most vehement inventions of les fauves. (See Goldwater, bibl. 100).

The Demoiselles d’Avignon is the masterpiece of Picasso’s Negro Period, but it may also be called the first cubist picture, for the breaking up of natural forms, whether figures, still life or drapery, into a semi-abstract all-over pattern of tilting shifting planes is already cubism; cubism in a rudimentary stage, it is true, but closer to the developed cubism of 1909 than are most of the intervening “Negro” works. The Demoiselles is a transitional picture, a laboratory or, better, a battlefield of trial and experiment; but it is also a work of formidable, dynamic power unsurpassed in European art of its time. Together with Matisse’s Joie de Vivre of the same year it marks the beginning of a new period in the history of modern art.

68. Composition study for Les Demoiselles d’Avignon. 1907 (dated on back). Charcoal and pastel, 18 3/8 x 25 inches. Lent by the artist. An early study with seven figures — five female nudes and two clothed male figures. The figure at the left, Picasso says (1939), is a man with a skull in his hand entering a scene of carnal pleasure. The three figures at the right and the melons reappear in the final painting.

69. Composition study for Les Demoiselles d’Avignon. Paris, 1907. Oil on wood, 7 5/8 x 9 5/8 inches. Lent by the artist. A slightly later study than no. 68; still with seven figures but the central seated male figure has given place to a female nude.

70. Composition study for Les Demoiselles d’Avignon. 1907 (dated). Watercolor, 6 3/8 x 8 3/8 inches. Lent by the Museum of Living Art, New York University. A late study with five female figures. The man entering at the left of the earlier studies, nos. 68 and 69, has been changed into a female figure pulling back the curtain, related to the left-hand figure of Two Nudes, no. 67, but more directly borrowed from an earlier composition of 1906 (Z., pl. 165, 166). All implications of a moralistic contrast between virtue (the man with a skull) and vice (the man surrounded by food and women) have been eliminated in favor of a purely formal figure composition, which as it develops becomes more and more compact, angular, and abstract.
72. Dancer (Grande danseuse d'Avignon; Danseuse nègre). Avignon? 1907(P). Oil, 59 x 39\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

More completely under the influence of African art, particularly of the metal-covered grave figures of the Gabun, than are the right-hand figures of Les Demoiselles d'Avignon. The very flat handling and dramatic movement are characteristic of only a brief moment in the "Negro" Period.
73. Dancer. 1907 (P). Watercolor, 25½ x 19½ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr. A study for the Dancer, no. 72. Also related to the right-hand background figure in Les Demoiselles d'Avignon, no. 71.

74. Standing Figure. 1907 (P). Brush and ink, 11½ x 7¾ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr. Possibly a study for the central figure of Les Demoiselles d'Avignon.

75. Figure Turned to the Left. 1907. Woodcut, 8⅛ x 5⅛ inches (G. 218). Lent by Jean Gorinay. Geiser states that there is but one proof, yet this is clearly a second proof differing from the one he reproduces and describes as unique. Related to the left central figure of Les Demoiselles d'Avignon, no. 71.

76. Head (Femme au nez en quart de Brie). 1907? (dated on stretcher October, 1905, but the style is apparently of two years later). Oil, 13⅞ x 10¾ inches. Lent by Roland Penrose.
By the middle of 1908 Picasso had passed through the barbaric phase of his Negro Period and was painting soberly impressive studies of heads (no. 78) and still life (no. 79) using a brown red monochrome. In contrast to the flat patterns of 1907, both perspective and modeling are used to give a simple three-dimensional sculptural effect.

It is worth recording that Picasso at the present time is particularly interested in the work of this Negro Period. Fortunately the Demoiselles d'Avignon, no. 71, the Dancer, no. 72, and the Woman in Yellow, opposite, the three most important works of the period west of Moscow, can be included in the exhibition. The Museum of Modern Western Art in Moscow has several other important "Negro" Picassos originally bought by Shchukine.
79. Bowls and Jug, Paris, summer 1908 (K). Oil, 32 x 25½ inches. Lent by the Museum of Living Art, New York University. The same period as the Head, no. 78.

80. Landscape with Figures, Paris, autumn 1908 (K). Oil, 23¾ x 28¾ inches. Lent by the artist. Related in style to the two previous pictures. Unfortunately the series of landscapes done at Horta in the succeeding year cannot be represented in the exhibition.

81. Figures in a Landscape, Autumn 1908 (K). Gouache, 18¾ x 23¼ inches. Lent by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. White 3rd.
82. Fruit Dish. Spring 1909(K). Oil, 28\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 23\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by the Bignou Gallery.

**ANALYTICAL CUBISM**

With a series of greenish paintings begun early in 1909 Picasso continued his progress toward a more developed and abstract form of cubism, a progress which had been interrupted by the simplified brown paintings of the end of the Negro Period (nos. 78 and 79). The forms in the Fruit Dish are more complicated than in the Bowls and Jug of the previous year; perspective, foreshortening and modeling are abbreviated so that suggestions of space and weight are diminished. The tilted table top of Cézanne’s late still life style is recalled and exaggerated.

Analytical cubism — cubism which “analyzes,” breaks up, takes apart natural forms — is a term frequently applied to cubist painting of 1909 to 1912-13, particularly the work of Picasso and Braque.
83. Woman's Head. 1909? Bronze, 16 1/4 inches high. Lent by the Weyhe Gallery.

An isolated piece in Picasso's sculpture but closely related to his paintings of the period such as the Woman with Pears which shows the same breaking up of surfaces into angular facets without as yet destroying the underlying sculptural form.
84. Woman with Pears. 1909(K). Oil, 36 x 283/4 inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr. Sometimes dated 1908.


89. Portrait of Braque. Late 1909(K). Oil, 241/4 x 193/4 inches. Lent by Frank Crowninshield.

Georges Braque, Picasso's partner in cubism, had been a member of the fauves group in 1905. By 1909 he was working so closely with Picasso that it is hard in some cases to distinguish their work. Braque reaffirmed the importance of Cézanne to cubism and, later, it is said anticipated Picasso in using trompe l'oeil (fool the eye) perspective, imitation textures and letters as elements in cubism.

The Portrait of Braque marks a step beyond the Woman with Pears in the cubist disintegration of natural forms. In this and the following paintings color gives way to a tan greyish monochrome.

The term "cubism" is said to have been derived from a disparaging remark made by Matisse about "les petits cubes" while looking at some Braque landscapes of 1908. Actually the "cubes" of Braque's and Picasso's cubism were to flatten out and virtually disappear within a year or two afterwards. In 1911 Guillaume Apollinaire, spokesman for the movement, adopted the term "cubism" officially.
90. Woman in a Landscape. Late 1909 (K). Oil, 36¼ x 28½ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.
91. Woman with a Mandolin. 1910 (dated). Oil, 39\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 29 inches. Lent by Roland Penrose.

More geometrical in character than the Woman in a Landscape; the deformations are more radical, but still with a good deal of sculptural modeling.

Although cubism seems primarily concerned with formal esthetics, its fantastic aspects and psychological implications have won it honor among the post-War Surrealists.
92. Figure. 1910. Charcoal, 19 x 12½ inches. Lent by Alfred Stieglitz. Included in a retrospective exhibition of 83 Picasso drawings and etchings at Mr. Stieglitz’ gallery “291,” April 1911, the first one-man Picasso show in America (see list of Picasso exhibitions, page 199) and probably the first time Picasso was exhibited in any way in this country.

Standing Figure. 1910? Oil. Lent by Mrs. Meric Callery. Also dated 1911 and 1912.

Cubism grew rapidly more abstract in 1910. Sculptural or modeled forms and continuous contours were eliminated in favor of flattish quasi-geometrical planes and broken silhouettes. The curved lines in the drawing, no. 92, and the painting, no. 94, suggest cross-sections of the figure. The planes are subtly graded in tone so that they seem to tilt forward or back and at times to merge with the background space. In these works and those reproduced on the following three pages, cubism passed through its most austere period. Picasso and Braque analyzed, simplified, geometrized the forms of nature, transmuting them with an ascetic, uncompromising discipline. These works are not entirely "abstract," they retain certain vestiges of the "model" but these very vestiges serve to indicate the process of abstraction and lead to a more complicated esthetic tension than is possible in purely abstract compositions of squares or circles.
96. Portrait of Kahnweiler. Autumn 1910(K). Oil, 39\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 28\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Charles B. Goodspeed.

In certain portraits of 1910 Picasso used a more methodical and complex system of disintegration than in the Nude, opposite, or the Figure, no. 94. Henry Kahnweiler was an enthusiastic dealer who from about 1907 to 1914 was one of the chief champions of cubism. He remains one of its soundest historians (see bibl. no. 121 and chronology, page 21).
At Ceret in the Pyrenees Picasso and Braque spent the summer of 1911 working together almost in collaboration.


100. L’Arlesienne. Sorgues, summer 1912 (K). Also dated 1910 and 1911. Oil, 28 3/4 x 21 1/4 inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

In the head may be seen the cubist device of simultaneity — showing two aspects of a single object at the same time, in this case the profile and full face. The transparency of overlapping planes is also characteristic. These devices have been used by Picasso in many later periods, including the recent “double-faced” portraits. Compare nos. 165, 175, 189, 208, 249, 349.


103. Still Life with Chair Caning. 1911-12. Oil and pasted paper simulating chair caning, on canvas, oval 10 5/8 x 13 3/4 inches. Lent by the artist, who suggests that this may be dated 1911 and is the first papier collé (composition with pasted paper). However, other small oval still lifes of this type are dated 1912.

In this small oval are concentrated three cubist innovations of 1911-12: the introduction of letters, of pasted paper (papier collé), and of trompe l'oeil imitation textures. In this case simulated texture and pasted paper are combined, for the chair caning is actually a piece of wall paper. These techniques, most of them introduced by Braque, added complexity and variety to cubism but also marked the beginning of its decline from the ascetic purity of such works as the Figure, no. 94, or the Seated Man, no. 97.

Some of the papier collés of 1912-13 are, however, among the most exacting and precisely calculated of Picasso's works (nos. 105-107).


108. Portrait with the words “J’aime Eva.” 1912 (dated on back). Oil, 38\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 25 inches. Lent by the Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts, Ferdinand Howald Collection.

This painting, the drawing, no. 104, the pasted paper, no. 107, illustrate the transition from analytical to synthetic cubism, in which the analysis or fragmentation of natural forms is supplemented by invented quasi-geometrical forms used in free combination with certain vestiges of the original object. Cubism after 1912 is comparatively synthetic or subjective as opposed to analytical or objective. This resulted on the whole in simpler compositions with fewer details.
109. The Model. 1912(K) or 1913. Oil, 45 1/2 x 31 1/2 inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.
The enrichment of cubist technique by a variety of simulated textures, a thicker impasto, and the tentative beginning of a return to color are all apparent in this painting.

Cubist interest in textures increases during 1913-14 in such complex arrangements as this still life and the oval composition opposite in which a variety of paper and painted surfaces is combined in compositions of predominantly rectangular shapes. The result is not merely a surface enrichment but an emphasis upon the sensuous tactile reality of the surface itself in contrast to painting in the past which through more or less realistic methods took the eye and mind past the surface of the canvas to represented objects such as figures or landscapes. Yet though it almost eliminated the realistic form of the symbol, cubism did not do away with the symbol entirely. The ever-recurring guitars, violins, bottles, playing cards, pipes, cigarettes, and the fragmentary words referring to newspapers, music and beverages constitute a fairly consistent “subject matter” or iconography, which may have more than incidental significance as references to “artificial objects of private manipulation.” (See Shapiro, Nature of abstract art. Marxist Quarterly, v. 1, 1937, p. 93.)


113. Still Life. 1913? Oil. Collection Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Arensberg.

Some of these drawings are of considerable interest because by means of perspective they represent constructions in three dimensions in contrast to the flat almost spaceless cubist compositions usual in this period. These perspective drawings are doubtless related to the relief constructions of 1913-14 in wood and other materials like that illustrated. They mark one more step in the growing range of cubist esthetics.

115. Relief Construction: Guitar. 1913. Wood and pasted paper. (Not in exhibition.)
116. Still Life with a Calling Card (The Package of Cigarettes). 1914(K). Pasted paper and crayon, 5\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 8\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Charles B. Goodspeed.

Anti-“literary” in their art, the cubists paradoxically painted letters. Sometimes the letters seem chosen at random but often, as has been mentioned, they refer to drinks or newspapers, and sometimes to people, almost in the manner of literary dedications as in the above papier collé or in the paintings, nos. 99, 108.

117. Head. 1914(K); also dated 1913. Pasted paper and charcoal, 17\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 13\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by Roland Penrose. One of the most arbitrary and abstract of Picasso’s cubist compositions in its remoteness from the object indicated by the title. Particularly admired by the Surrealists.
In 1914 Picasso's cubism underwent a rapid and radical change from the severe geometrical forms of the previous years to soft irregular shapes peppered with confetti-like dots borrowed from the neo-impressionist technique of Seurat. The change in color from greys, tans, and blacks to brilliant greens and gay reds contributes to a sense of relaxation and even a certain rococo triviality after years of rigorous discipline.

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119. Glass of Absinthe. 1914. Painted bronze, 8 3/4 inches high. Lent by the Museum of Living Art, New York University. Six casts were made for Kahnweiler, each one differently painted. The glass is similar to that in the painting “Vive la,” illustrated opposite.

119a. Picasso and Derain: Four still lifes. Avignon, 1914. Painted tile, 21 1/4 x 21 1/4 inches. Divided into quarters of which the left-hand two are by Picasso, right-hand two by Derain. Lent by the Buchholz Gallery.


The soft rococo style of the still lifes, nos. 119, 120, 122, lasted but a few months. By the end of 1915 Picasso was working in a monumental rectangular cubist style with comparatively large planes usually strong in color and often embellished with pointillist dots.

During 1915, however, he also began a return to realism in a series of portrait drawings.

127. The Fireplace. 1916-17. Oil, 58⅛ x 26⅜ inches. Lent by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer, Jr.

Bold rectangular design is characteristic of these years of synthetic cubism which come to a climax in the Three Musicians of 1921, nos. 164, 165. Another painting of 1917 is no. 124.
RETURN TO "REALISM";
THE "CLASSIC" PERIOD; THE BALLET.

The portrait drawings of 1915 have been mentioned as the first intimation of a new "realistic" or "classic" style. For ten years afterwards this style was to run in a kind of rivalry with cubism in Picasso's paintings and even down to the present time in prints and illustrated books. Picasso's classic style, inspired at first by the drawings of Ingres, was greatly stimulated during the years 1917 to 1923 by the Russian Ballet which aroused in him a renewed interest in the natural and esthetic beauty of the human body—an interest which he had already shown during his first classic period in 1905-06 (nos. 57, 43).

BALLETs IN WHICH PICASSO COLLABORATED:
Parade, 1917; Le Tricorne, 1919; Pulcinella, 1920; Cuadro Flamenco, 1921; Mercure, 1924; and Le Train Bleu, 1924.

A more detailed catalog of the Diaghilev ballets for which Picasso designed settings and costumes is given on page 192.
131. Head of Pierrot. 1917 (dated). Ink, 23\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 19 inches. Lent by John W. Warrington. Apparently a study for the painting, no. 139.

132. Three Ballerinas. 1917? Pencil and charcoal, 23\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 17\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by the artist.
134. Pierrot and Harlequin, 1919. Gouache, 10⅝ x 7⅝ inches. Lent by Mrs. Charles B. Congdon, and said to be a costume design for the ballet Le Trône (see p. 192).

133. Pierrot and Harlequin. 1918 (dated). Pencil, 10⅝ x 7⅝ inches. Lent by Mrs. Charles B. Congdon, and said to be a costume study for the Ballet Pulehine, produced in 1920 (see p. 192); the drawing, however, is dated 1918. Compare with the cubist Pierrot and Harlequin, adjacent.

136. Costume Design. 1919? Gouache, 6 x 4 inches. Lent by Mrs. Ray Slater Murphy. The artist informed the owner that this is a design for a ballet costume; it seems related to the designs for Le Tricorne.


The original designs for ballet costumes and settings, and the drawings related to the ballet, nos. 129-137, and the section of décor for Cuadro Flamenco, no. 138, opposite, are grouped for convenience on these and the previous pages even though this arrangement breaks the chronological order. The gouache, The Race, no. 167, later used as the design for the curtain of Le Train Bleu, is illustrated in the color frontispiece. In the exhibition are other items, especially illustrated programs, relating to Picasso’s work for the ballet. A later series of drawings inspired by the ballet is represented by nos. 194 to 197 of 1925.
138. The Theatre Box. 1921. Oil, $76\frac{1}{2} \times 58\frac{3}{8}$ inches. Lent by Rosenberg and Helft, Ltd. A section cut from the scenery of the ballet, Cuadro Flamenco (see p. 192).

The parallel course of Picasso's cubist and "realistic" styles is illustrated by comparing this Pierrot and the harlequin Violinist, opposite, both done during the same year.
140. The Violinist ("Si tu veux"). 1918 (dated). Oil, 56 x 39 1/2 inches. Lent anonymously.

141. Still Life with a Pipe. 1918 (dated). Oil, 8 7/8 x 10 1/2 inches. Lent anonymously.
142. Bathers. 1918 (dated). Pencil, $9\frac{3}{8} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Lent by the Fogg Art Museum, Cambridge, Mass., Paul J. Sachs Collection.

143. Philosopher. 1918? Pencil, $13\frac{3}{8} \times 10\frac{7}{8}$ inches. Lent by the Fogg Art Museum, Cambridge, Mass., Paul J. Sachs Collection. The sitter is said to be a Russian singer.

144. Fisherman. 1918 (dated). Pencil, $13\frac{3}{4} \times 10$ inches. Lent anonymously.

These three drawings are among the finest of Picasso's "classic" period; and the Bathers is one of the most elaborate of all Picasso's figure compositions. The distortions and elegant simplifications are obviously influenced by the art of Ingres. (The reproductions of the Bathers and the Fisherman were treated with asphaltum during the engraving process, making the line coarser and darker than in the originals which are so exquisitely delicate that they would almost have disappeared in an ordinary half-tone.)
145. The Window. 1919 (dated). Gouache, $13\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Lent anonymously.

One of the most complete of a long series of similar compositions in which cubist technique is used superficially by comparison with the very abstract Table, opposite.

146. Table before a Window. 1919 (dated). Oil, $11\frac{1}{2} \times 9$ inches. Lent anonymously.

147. The Table. 1919-20. Oil, $51 \times 29\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Lent by the Smith College Museum of Art, Northampton, Mass.

148. Still Life on a Table. 1920 (dated). Oil, $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5$ inches. Lent anonymously.

149. Landscape. 1920 (P). Oil, $20\frac{1}{2} \times 27\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Lent by the artist.

Compare the early cubist landscape, no. 80, and the contemporary “classic” landscape, no. 156.
150. The Rape. 1920 (dated). Tempera on wood, 9\% x 12\% inches. Lent by Philip L. Goodwin.


153. Four Classic Figures. 1921 (dated). Tempera on wood, 4 x 6 inches. Lent anonymously.


One of the most imposing of Picasso’s compositions of colossal nudes.
Picasso's "classic" period includes a number of styles ranging from the ponderous giantesses, opposite, to the attenuated diaphanous "néo-grec" figures of the Three Graces of 1924, no. 184. Both figure styles recall a similar contrast between the "colossal" and "attenuated" styles of the 16th century mannerists—and also Picasso's own work of 1905-06 (nos. 31, 67).

The direct inspiration of Greco-Roman sculpture is here evident.

159. Bathing Woman. 1921? Oil on wood, 5 7/8 x 3 7/8 inches. Lent by James Thrall Soby.


This figure, while it retains the cubist use of transparent planes, looks forward in its flowing calligraphic curves to paintings of the late 1920's (nos. 210, 213).
164. Three Musicians (Three Masks). Fontainebleau, summer 1921 (dated). Oil, 80⅜ x 88⅛ inches. Lent anonymously.

The climax of Picasso’s synthetic cubism, at least in its rectilinear phase (1915–1922), is surely these two great compositions generally called the Three Musicians. Their superb decorative beauty and, no less, their mysterious majesty, place them among Picasso’s masterpieces.
165. Three Musicians. Fontainebleau, summer 1921 (dated). Oil, 80 x 74 inches. Lent by the Museum of Living Art, New York University.

The two versions of the Three Musicians are about the same height but this one is somewhat narrower, and more compact in composition. This is said to be the later version by a few weeks.

167. The Race. 1922. Tempera on wood, 12 7/8 x 16 1/4 inches. Lent by the artist. Reproduced in color as frontispiece. This design was subsequently used for the curtain of the ballet Le Train Bleu produced in 1924 (see p. 192).


169. Standing Nude. 1922 (dated). Oil on wood, 7 1/2 x 5 1/2 inches. Lent by the Wadsworth Atheneum.

171. View of St. Malo (Dinard?)  1922. Ink and pencil, 11\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 16\(\frac{1}{8}\) inches. Lent anonymously.

172. Studies of Nude.  1923 (dated). Ink, 9\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 11\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent anonymously.

173. The Pipes of Pan.  1923. Ink, 9\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 12\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by John Nicholas Brown.

174. The Sigh.  1923 (dated). Oil and charcoal, 23\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 19\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by James Thrall Soby.

About 1918 Picasso began to paint cubist pictures in which the curved line dominated the straight. "Curvilinear" cubism is well seen in this etching. Contrast the rectilinear Violinist of 1918, no. 140.


177. La Coiffure. 1923. Lithograph, 10½ x 6½ inches (G. 234). Lent by Jean Goriany.


Picasso's ability to breathe new life and charm into a style so exhausted by overuse as the neo-classic is demonstrated by the Woman in White.
180. By the Sea. 1923 (dated). Oil on wood, 32 x 39½ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

This painting with its humorous and violent foreshortening is said to have been intended as a burlesque of the long tradition of solemn "bather" compositions by Cézanne, Matisse, Friesz and others, of which a typical example is Matisse's Women by the Sea formerly in the Folkwang Museum, Essen (illustrated Henri-Matisse, Museum of Modern Art, 1931, pl. 17). Picasso himself is, however, one of the most prolific masters of the "bather" tradition.
181. The Pipes of Pan (La Flûte de Pan). 1923. Oil, $80\frac{1}{2} \times 68\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Lent by the artist.

This and the Two Seated Women, no. 155, are generally considered the capital works of Picasso's classic period.
182. Musical Instruments. 1923 (dated). Oil, 38 x 51 inches. Lent by Mrs. Patrick C. Hill.

One of a small group of curvilinear cubist still lifes of very sombre color. Compare with the brilliant rectilinear cubist still life of the previous year, no. 166.


184. Three Graces. 1924. Oil and charcoal, 78 3/8 x 59 inches. Lent by the artist.

Picasso's "classic" period began with the Ingres-like drawings of 1915-20, continued with the figures more directly inspired by Greco-Roman art, some of them of colossal proportions (1920-23), and came to an end, so far as paintings are concerned, with the refined and colorless elegance of the Three Graces.
185. Still Life with a Mandolin and Biscuit. May 16, 1924 (dated on back). Oil, 38½ x 51½ inches. Lent anonymously.

One of the earliest in the series of large brilliantly colored still life compositions which continues into 1926. Related in its soft curves to the dark compositions of the previous year (no. 182).

186. Still Life with Biscuits. 1924 (dated). Oil and sand, 32 x 39½ inches. Lent anonymously.

The most famous of the series of large interiors and still life compositions painted during the years 1924-26.
188. Woman with a Mandolin (La Musicienne). 1925 (dated). Oil, 51\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 38\(\frac{5}{8}\) inches. Lent anonymously.
189. The Fish Net. Juan les Pins, summer 1925 (dated). Oil, $39\frac{3}{4} \times 32\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Lent anonymously.
The Three Dancers. 1925. Oil, 84 6/8 x 56 1/2 inches. Lent by the artist.

The Three Dancers, painted only a year later than the Three Graces, no. 184, comes as a sudden and surprising interruption to the series of monumental still life compositions and flat linear figures like the Woman with a Mandolin, no. 188. Instead of static, mildly cubist decoration, the Three Dancers confronts us with a vision striking in its physical and emotional violence. Seen objectively as representations of nature, cubist paintings such as the Three Musicians of 1921 are grotesque enough (nos. 164, 165) — but their distortions are comparatively objective and formal whereas the frightful, grinning mask and convulsive action of the left-hand figure of the Three Dancers cannot be resolved into an exercise in esthetic relationships, magnificent as the canvas is from a purely formal point of view. The Three Dancers is in fact a turning point in Picasso’s art almost as radical as was the Demoiselles d’Avignon (no. 71). The left-hand dancer especially foreshadows new periods of his art in which psychologically disturbing energies reinforce or, depending on one’s point of view, adulterate his ever changing achievements in the realm of form.

The Ram’s Head. Juan les Pins, summer 1925 (dated). Oil, 32 1/8 x 39 1/2 inches. Lent anonymously.

The sumptuous still life series was continued after the Three Dancers until 1926. Among the richest and most compactly ordered are the somewhat sinister Ram’s Head, above, and The Studio, on the following page.
192. The Studio. Juan les Pins, summer 1925. Oil, 38\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 51\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Private collection.
193. Still Life with a Bottle of Wine. 1926 (dated). Oil, $38\frac{3}{8} \times 51\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Lent anonymously.
194. Three Dancers Resting. 1925 (dated). Ink, 13\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 9\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent anonymously.


196. Two Ballet Dancers Resting. 1925 (dated). Ink, 13\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 9\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent by the Wadsworth Atheneum.

197. Pas de deux (Two Ballet Dancers). 1925. Ink, 24\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 18\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Ray Slater Murphy.

198. Head of a Woman. 1925. Lithograph, 5 x 4\(\frac{5}{8}\) inches (G. 210). Lent by the Buchholz Gallery.


Picasso's "classic" figure drawings of 1923 to 1925 are more spontaneous than the comparatively calculated studies of the "Ingres" period, 1917-20.
200. Guitar. 1926 (P). Canvas with string, pasted paper, oil paint, and cloth fixed with two inch nails, points out; 38 1/4 x 51 1/4 inches. Lent by the artist.

201. Guitar. 1926 (P). Panel with string, bamboo and cloth applied with tacks; 51 1/8 x 38 1/4 inches. Lent by the artist.

These two compositions recall the radical experimentation with a variety of unconventional materials in the cubist collages and relief constructions of 1913-14 (no. 115). The year 1926 was in several ways a time of renewed experiment.


205a. Wood engravings after ink drawings of 1926. Illustrations for Balzac, Le Chef-d'Oeuvre Inconnu. (See no. 205.) Picasso filled a sketch book with scores of similar designs of dots and connecting lines, some apparently abstract, others representing violins, guitars, tables and figures.

207. Seated Woman. 1926-27 (dated on back). Oil, 51\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 38\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Collection the Museum of Modern Art, New York.

208. Woman in an Armchair. January 1927 (dated on back). Oil, 51\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 38\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by the artist.

*Early in 1927 Picasso was developing the manner first announced by the left hand figure of the Three Dancers, of 1925 (no. 190).*
209. Seated Woman. 1927 (dated). Oil on wood, 51\(\frac{1}{6}\) x 38\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by James Thrall Soby.

*The complex arabesque of curves of the Seated Woman (no. 207) is simplified in this version of the same subject — one of the most awe-inspiring of Picasso's figures.*
In 1927 Picasso began to paint figures and heads in which the anatomy is distorted and dislocated with an extravagance exceeding even that of the Woman in an Armchair (no. 208). In the Figure reproduced above the human form has undergone a metamorphosis so radical that foot, head, breast and arm are not readily recognizable. Only a few rather isolated cubist works of 1913-14 anticipate such fantastic anatomy, notably the Head, no. 117, and a series of drawings (compare bibl. 97, pl. 5-8). But the design of the Figure in its severity and firmness also recalls the finest cubist papiers collés (nos. 107, 117).

211. Seated Woman. 1927. Oil, 3½ x 4¾ inches. Lent by Sidney Janis.

The sparse severity of the preceding painting is seen again in this large, precisely calculated composition of straight lines and rectangles recalling once more the cubism of 1912-13 (nos. 104, 107). At the left is the painter, brush in hand; at the right a bowl of fruit and a white plaster bust, a subject somewhat comparable to the The Studio, no. 192.

213. Painting (Rumbling Minotaur). April 1928 (dated on back). Oil, 63 x 31/4 inches. Lent by the artist.

Compare in style with the Figure, no. 210. A pasted paper of a similar subject was used as a cartoon for a large Cubist tapestry executed in 1936 and listed following no. 360.
214. Head. 1928. Oil on canvas painted metal. Not in exhibition. In 1928 Picasso began to work again in three dimensions, in painted metal constructions such as this, in iron wire no. 219, and in plaster. This Head is related to the heads in the Painter and His Model, above.

215. The Studio. 1928. Oil, 63. 51/8 x 51/8 inches. Lent by the artist.


Similar in subject to the somewhat earlier Studio, no. 215, but more elaborate and concentrated. A detailed analysis of this painting by Harold Janis is given in ibid., p. 20. p. 203. Briefly, the painter sits at the right; knife, palette, and on his right. The model, on which the artist has drawn a profile which is conventionally realistic. An artist with a certain humor, reverses the normal relationship of art and "nature" such as is shown in the etching no. 206. The projection of the image in the artist's brain upon the canvas is symbolized by lines which issue from the head of the artist, cross at the tip of the palette knife or brush, and strike the canvas at the top of the painted profile.
217. Head of a woman. 1927 or 1928. Oil and sand, 21 3/4 x 11 3/4 inches. Lent by the artist.

Teeth, eyes, hair and breasts are here redistributed with an easy virtuosity comparable to that shown in the Figure, no. 210.

*Compare with the paintings, nos. 212 and 216.*

220. On the Beach. Dinard, 1928. Oil, 7\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 12\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by George L. K. Morris.

*This and the following painting belong to a famous series of small beach scenes done at Dinard in the summer of 1928. Compare with the figures in the Three Dancers, no. 190.*

221. Beach Scene. Dinard, August 21, 1928 (dated). Oil, 6\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 9\(\frac{1}{8}\) inches. Lent by Rosenberg and Helft Ltd.
222. Face. 1928. Lithograph, 8 x 5\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches (G. 243). Lent by Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

*After 1915 Picasso at no time has devoted himself to cubist, "abstract" or "surrealist" work to the exclusion of more "realistic" styles.*

223. Figure. May 1929. Transfer lithograph, 9 x 5\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches (G. 246). Published for subscribers of the review Le Manuscrit Autographe. Paris, A. Blaizot et fils. Plate hors-texte of no. 21, May-June 1929. Lent by Jean Gorinay.

*One of many sculpturesque figures developed from the flat two-dimensional style of the Figure, no. 210. Compare with the cubist perspective drawings of 1913-14, no. 114.*

224. Bather. 1929 (dated). Oil, 16\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 10\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Pierre Loeb.

225. Two Nudes. September 30, 1930. Etching, 12\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 8\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches (G. 199b). Lent by Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.


Two paintings of similar subjects done in the same year. Compare the figure opposite with the Woman in an Armchair, no. 208, of 1927, and the left-hand figure of the Three Dancers, no. 190, of 1925.
230. Bather, Standing. May 26, 1929 (dated on back). Oil, 76\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 51\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by the artist.

*Compare with the Woman in an Armchair, no. 228.*
231. Seated Bather. 1929. Oil, 63\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 51\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Meric Gallery.

One of the most important paintings of the so-called "bone" period. Compare nos. 233, 234.
232. Acrobat. January 18, 1930 (dated on back). Oil, $63\frac{3}{8} \times 51\frac{3}{8}$ inches. Lent by the artist.

*Compare the Swimming Woman of November 1929, no. 235.*

Probably Picasso's first painting of a biblical subject since 1904 (compare also no. 13). For studies for this picture see bibl. 40, plates 124 ff. See also the related studies for a crucifixion "after Grünewald" done in September-October 1932 (bibl. 34, pp. 30-32).

234. Project for a Monument (Métamorphose). February 19, 1930 (dated). Oil on wood, 26 x 19\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

Kahnweiler says that Picasso had in mind at this time colossal monuments in reinforced concrete to be built on mountains overlooking the Riviera.


Unfortunately the war has prevented the inclusion in the exhibition of other examples of Picasso's sculpture of the past fifteen years. This is a comparatively minor example.
Figure Throwing a Stone. March 8, 1931 (dated on back). Oil, 51 1/4 x 76 3/4 inches. Lent by the artist.
238. Pitcher and Bowl of Fruit. February 22, 1931 (dated). Oil, 51 1/2 x 64 inches. Lent by Rosenberg and Helft Ltd.

In 1931 Picasso painted a series of large still lifes and interiors using a kind of curvilinear cubist method of composition. This, one of the finest, recalls medieval stained glass in color.

239. Two Nudes in a Tree. July 4, 1931. Etching, 14 7/8 x 11 3/4 inches (G. 204). Lent by the Weyhe Gallery. Geiser mentions 3 proofs only but this is numbered 7.

240. Still Life on a Table. March 11, 1931 (dated on back). Oil, 76 3/4 x 51 1/2 inches. Lent by the artist.

When this large, brilliantly colored, and generally flamboyant painting was pulled out from a stack of canvases during the selection of the exhibition, Picasso remarked with a smile, emphasizing the word "morte": "En voilà une nature morte."


In the spring of 1932 Picasso produced with amazing energy a long series of large canvases of women, usually sleeping or seated, unlike anything he had done before in their bold color and great sweeping curves.

The brilliant color, heavy lines, complex design and lozenge-shaped background suggest Gothic stained glass. In the summer of 1932, at the time of the great retrospective exhibition of his work, Picasso said he preferred this painting to any of the others in the long series he had completed that spring.
247. Figure in a Red Chair. 1932. Oil, $51\frac{1}{2} \times 38\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Lent by the artist.

248. Seated Woman and Bearded Head. 1932. Ink and pencil, $11\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.

The left-hand figure is a study for the painting, Figure in a Red Chair, no. 247. An interesting contrast between two figures drawn on the same paper but in very different styles.
249. Seated Woman. 1932. Oil on wood, 29\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 20\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent by Lee A. Ault.

250. Woman Sleeping. 1932. Oil, 39\(\frac{3}{8}\) x 32 inches. Lent by J. Thannhauser.

251. Figures. 1932? Etching, 4\(\frac{1}{8}\) x 3\(\frac{5}{8}\) inches. Lent by the Weyhe Gallery. One of a set of six plates by various artists published by S. W. Hayter in 1937 and sold for Spanish relief. The design is in the style of certain drawings done toward the end of 1932 (bibl. 138, pl. 5, 6), but the etching may have been executed in 1936-37.

252. Bathers and Diver. 1932? Etching printed in black ink on collage of colored papers, 5\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 4\(\frac{7}{8}\) inches. Lent by the Weyhe Gallery. Design is very similar in style to the painting, no. 254, of December 1932.

253. Bathers and Diver. 1932? Etching printed in white ink on collage of colored papers, 5\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 4\(\frac{7}{8}\) inches. Lent by the Weyhe Gallery. Same plate as no. 252.

254. Three Women by the Sea. November 28, 1932 (dated on back). Oil, 32 x 39\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent by the artist. Compare with the Women by the Sea of 1923, no. 180.

255. Two Women on the Beach. Paris, January 11, 1933 (dated on back). Oil, 28\(\frac{1}{8}\) x 36\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by the artist.
256. Plaster Head and Bowl of Fruit. January 29, 1933 (dated). Oil, 28\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 36\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. Lent by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer, Jr.

257. Silenus. Cannes, July 14, 1933 (dated). Gouache, 15\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 19\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by A. Conger Goodyear.

258. Two Figures on the Beach. Cannes, July 28, 1933 (dated). Ink, 15\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 19\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Lent anonymously.

259. Sculpture in Picasso's studio at Gisors, 1933. Photograph by A. E. Gallatin.

Most of Picasso's recent sculpture has been done at his country estate, Boisgeloup, near Gisors on the border of Normandy. In Mr. Gallatin's photograph are two of a series of the large plaster heads, one of which appears in the painting illustrated above. (For further illustrations of his sculpture see bibl. 34 and 39.)

261. On the Beach. Cannes, July 11, 1933 (dated). Watercolor and ink, 15⅛ x 19¼ inches. Lent by Dr. and Mrs. Allan Roos. One of the most surrealistic of Picasso’s long series of 1933 gouaches and drawings (nos. 257, 258, 260, 261).


The Bull Fight as a subject for painting had interested Picasso briefly in 1900 and again shortly after the war of 1914-18, but during the past few years he has used it again and again apparently for its symbolic significance as well as for its pictorial interest. (See nos. 10, 273, 274, and the Guernica mural with its numerous studies, no. 280 and following.)

For a remarkable analysis of this canvas see Melville, bibl. 138.

266. Interior with Figures. 1934. Oil. about 9 x 12 inches. Lent by Mme. Christian Zervos.


271. Study for Lysistrata illustrations. Paris, January 4, 1934 (dated). Ink and wash, 9\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 13\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by the Museum of Living Art, New York University.

272. Copper plate for Lysistrata illustration (see no. 270). 1934. 8\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 5\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches. Collection the Museum of Modern Art, New York, gift of J. B. Neumann.

273. Minotauromachy. 1935. Etching, 19\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 27\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by Henry P. McIlhenny. Probably Picasso's most important print.

274. Dreams and Lies of Franco (Sueno y Mentira de Franco). January 8, 1937. Etching and aquatint, 12\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 16\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches; 2nd state. Lent by J. B. Neumann. Plate contains nine designs.

275. Dreams and Lies of Franco (Sueno y Mentira de Franco). January 9-June 7, 1937. Etching and aquatint, 12\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 16\(\frac{3}{8}\) inches; 2nd state. Lent by J. B. Neumann. Plate contains nine designs, four of which, nos. 4, 7, 8, 9, were etched on June 7th during the painting of the Guernica mural, no. 280. See illustration on page 171.

These two plates were published together with a facsimile of a prose poem by Picasso, part of which is reproduced on the following page together with an English translation of the whole. The eighteen designs were subsequently printed separately in postcard format and sold for the benefit of the Spanish Republican Government.
DREAMS AND LIES OF FRANCO

fandango of shivering owls sauce of swords of evil-omened polyps scowling brush of hairs from priests' tonsures standing naked in the middle of the frying-pan — placed upon the ice cream cone of codfish fried in the scabs of his lead-ox heart — his mouth full of the chinch bug jelly of his words — sleigh-bells of the plate of snails braiding guts — little finger in erection neither grape nor fig — commedia dell'arte of poor weaving and dyeing of clouds — beauty creams from the garbage wagon — rape of maids in tears and in snails — on his shoulder the shroud stuffed with sausages and mouths — rage distorting the outline of the shadow which flags his teeth driven in the sand and the horse open wide to the sun which reads it to the flies that stitch to the knots of the net full of anchovies the sky-rocket of lilies — torch of lice where the dog is knot of rats and hiding-place of the palace of old rags — the banners which fry in the pan write in the black of the ink sauce shed in the drops of blood which shoot him — the street rises to the clouds tied by its feet to the sea of wax which dots its entrails and the veil which covers it sings and dances wild with pain — the flight of fishing rods and the alhagi alhagi of the first-class burial of the moving van — the broken wings rolling upon the spider's web of dry bread and clear water of the paella of sugar and velvet which the lush paints upon his cheeks — the light covers its eyes before the mirror which apes it and the naguat bar of the flames bites its lips at the wound — cries of children cries of women cries of birds cries of flowers cries of timbers and of stones cries of bricks cries of furniture of beds of chairs of curtains of pots of cats and of papers cries of odors which claw at one another cries of smoke pricking the shoulder of the cries which stew in the cauldron and of the rain of birds which inundates the sea which gnaws the bone and breaks its teeth biting the cotton wool which the sun mops up from the plate which the purse and the pocket hide in the print which the foot leaves in the rock.

In 1937 and 1938 Picasso produced a series of decorative, richly painted still life compositions (nos. 276, 277, 278, 341, 358). Their gay objectivity is in marked contrast to the agonies of the Guernica mural and disquieting surrealist atmosphere of the Girls with a Toy Boat, no. 279, and the Girl with a Cock, no. 345.


On April 28, 1937 the Basque town of Guernica was reported destroyed by German bombing planes flying for General Franco. Picasso who had already taken the Loyalist side in his Dreams and Lies of Franco (nos. 274-75), immediately prepared to take an artist's revenge. Commissioned to paint a mural for the Spanish Government Building at the Paris World's Fair he began work on May 1st, just two days after the news of the catastrophe.

Picasso has given no exact explanation of Guernica. Briefly, one sees: at the right two women, one with arms raised before a burning house, the other rushing in toward the center of the picture; at the left a mother with a dead child, and on the ground the fragments of a warrior, one hand clutching a broken sword. At the center of the canvas is a dying horse pierced by a spear hurled from above; at the left a bull stands triumphantly surveying the scene. Above, to the right of the center a figure leans from a window holding a lamp which throws an ineluctable light upon the carnage. And over all shines the radiant eye of day with the electric bulb of night for a pupil.

Guernica is painted entirely in black, white, and grey.

Although the Guernica is in no sense dependent on earlier works of Picasso, it is interesting to compare it with the Dreams and Lies of Franco (excepting the last four pictures which were done after Guernica) (nos. 274-75); the bull fights of 1934 (nos. 263, 267); the Crucifixion of 1930 (no. 233); and above all the Minotauromaechy of 1935 (no. 273) in which several of the Guernica motifs appear but as symbols perhaps of personal, rather than of public experience.
Fifty-nine studies for the Guernica (and a few "postscripts") are listed in the following pages. Many of these have interest as independent works of art; cumulatively they make it possible to study how Picasso has proceeded in composing one of the most important paintings of recent years.

Illustrated at the left is the first composition study, dated May 1st (no. 281). It is a shorthand notation showing the bull (left), the horse lying on its back (center) and the house with the figure in the window holding a lamp (right), all three of which were to appear in somewhat different form in the mural.

Below, dated May 9th, is the final pencil study for the whole composition which may be compared, detail for detail, with the final version, no. 289.

By May 11th, Picasso had outlined the full scale composition drawn on the 26 foot canvas, but in so doing had already revised the sketch of May 9th; and many other radical revisions were made on the canvas itself before it was completed.

Photographs of the mural in eight progressive stages and many of the studies are reproduced in Cahiers d'Art (see bibl. 39a).
STUDIES FOR GUERNICA. Some of the later items were done after the completion of the mural and are therefore in the nature of postscripts.

May 1
281-84. Composition studies. Pencil on blue paper, 8\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 10\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches.

285. Study for the horse. Pencil on blue paper, 8\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 10\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches.

286. Composition study. Pencil on gesso, 21\(\frac{1}{8}\) x 25\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches.

May 2
285. Study for the horse. Pencil on blue paper, 8\(\frac{1}{4}\) 28\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches.

288. Horse’s head. Oil on canvas, 25\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 36\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches.

289-90. Studies for horse’s head. Pencil on blue paper, 8\(\frac{7}{8}\) x 6 inches, and 10\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 8\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches.

Early May
291. Horse and Bull. Pencil on tan paper, 8\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 4\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches.

May 8
292. Composition study. Pencil on white paper, 9\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 17\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches.

293. Horse and woman with dead child. Pencil on white paper, 9\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 17\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches.
May 9
294. Composition study. Pencil on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.
295. Woman with dead child on ladder. Pencil on white paper, 17⅛ x 9½ inches.
296. Woman with dead child. Ink on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.

May 10
297-98. Studies for the horse. Pencil on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.
299. Horse. Pencil and color crayon on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.
300. Bull’s head. Pencil on white paper, 17⅛ x 9½ inches.
301. Woman with dead child. Color crayon and pencil on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.

May 11

May 13
303. Woman with dead child. Color crayon and pencil on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.
304. Head. Pencil and color crayon on white paper, 17⅛ x 9½ inches.
305. Hand with broken sword. Pencil on white paper, 9½ x 17⅛ inches.

May 20
306. Horse’s head. Pencil on gray paper, 9½ x 11¼ inches.
307. Horse’s head. Pencil on white paper, 9¼ x 11½ inches.
308-09. Studies for bull’s head. Pencil on gray tinted paper, 9¼ x 11½ inches.
310. Head. Pencil and gouache on white paper, 11 1/2 x 9 1/4 inches.

May 24

July 4
335. Weeping head. Ink on white paper, $10 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

July 6
336. Weeping head. Ink on tan paper, $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

September 26
337. Composition study. Oil on canvas, $76\frac{3}{4} \times 51\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

October 12
338. Head. Pencil and ink on white paper, $35\frac{3}{8} \times 23$ inches.

October 13
339. Head. Ink and oil on canvas, $21\frac{3}{4} \times 18\frac{3}{8}$ inches.

October 17
340. Head. Oil on canvas, $36\frac{1}{4} \times 28\frac{3}{8}$ inches.

342. Portrait of a Lady. 1937 (dated on back). Oil, 36\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 25\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches. Lent by the artist.
“Nusch” is the wife of the poet, Paul Eluard, a friend of Picasso’s and at the time of this drawing the chief personal link between him and the Surrealist Movement. The Surrealists, Man Ray, whose great photograph of Picasso is reproduced on page 14, and André Breton, whose portrait Picasso etched as early as 1923 (bibl. 91, no. 110), have also been his friends. While they acclaim him as the greatest Surrealist artist and while he has participated in Surrealist exhibitions and books, he has never been officially a member of the group.


Picasso’s most important work of 1938.


352. Woman in an Armchair. Paris, April 29, 1938 (dated). Color crayon over ink wash, 30\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 21\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Meric Callery.


354. Three Figures. Mougins, August 10, 1938 (dated). Ink and wash, 17\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 26\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Meric Callery. Illustrated bibl. 40, p. 176.

355. Man with an All-day-sucker. August 20, 1938 (dated). Oil, 26\(\frac{7}{8}\) x 18 inches. Lent by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.


357. Head of a Woman. Mougins, September 8, 1938 (dated). Ink, 26\(\frac{1}{4}\) x 17\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Mrs. Meric Callery.

359. Girl with Dark Hair. Paris, March 29, 1939 (dated). Oil on wood, 23\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 17\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Rosenberg and Helft Ltd.

360. Girl with Blond Hair. Paris, March 28, 1939 (dated). Oil on wood, 23\(\frac{3}{4}\) x 17\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches. Lent by Rosenberg and Helft Ltd.


360b. Minotaur. Gobelin tapestry, 1936, 56\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 93 inches. After a design by Picasso, a composition in pasted paper and paint on paper, 54\(\frac{2}{4}\) x 90\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches, dated January 1928. Compare the painting of a similar subject, no. 213. Lent through the courtesy of Mme. Cuttoli, Miss Dorothy Liebes and the San Francisco Museum of Art.
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BALLETS AND BOOKS

Ballets in which Picasso collaborated

Picasso was active as a designer for the ballet from early in 1917 until 1924. No effort has been made to bring together all his ballet designs in this exhibition but some half dozen original pieces are included. These are supplemented by reproductions, posters, programs illustrated by Picasso, and also by numerous original drawings of ballet dancers and of Sergei Diaghilev, the great impresario of the Russian Ballet (see nos. 130, 132, 137, 194, 195, 196, 197). All the ballets listed were originally produced by Diaghilev except Mercure. The following data have been prepared by Paul Magriel, special librarian in charge of the American Dance Archives.

PARADE

LE TRICORNE

PULCINELLA

CUADRO FLAMENCO

MERCURE

LE TRAIN BLEU

Books illustrated by Picasso

Strictly speaking, a book should not be called illustrated unless the artist's contribution has been made with reference to the literary subject matter. In this sense, only a few volumes in this exhibition are “illustrated”; but two of them — Balzac's Le chef-d'oeuvre inconnu and Ovid's Les métamorphoses — rank among the finest works in the entire history of book illustration. It will be seen, however, that many of the volumes here listed comprise verse or prose by Picasso's friends to whom he has obligingly presented a print or drawing. Many paintings and drawings by Picasso are reproduced in ballet programs.

1923 BRETON, André. Clair de terre. Paris, published by the author. 40 large-paper copies contain an original drypoint portrait etching of the author, the others a reproduction. G. 110.
1930 STEIN, Gertrude. Dix portraits. Paris, La Montaigne. 100 copies on large-paper contain reproductions of drawings by Picasso (3); Tchelitchew (1); Bérand (2); Tonny (2); Berman (2).
1931 OVID. Les métamorphoses. Lausanne, Skira. Contains 30 etchings. G. 143-72. (See no. 226 for reproduction.)
1934 ARISTOPHANES. Lysistrata, a new version by Gilbert Seldes. New York, Limited Editions Club. Contains 6 etchings and reproductions of 33 drawings by Picasso. (See no. 270 for reproduction.)
1936 ELUARD, Paul. Les yeux fertiles. Paris, C.I.M. Contains 5 drawings, including a portrait of the author. 10 copies on Imperial Japan contain 1 etching.

**Books and Prints**

Works by Picasso in American museums and private collections open to the public

A number in parentheses following an item indicates that it is included in this exhibition, and a star * that it is illustrated in this catalog. The list may not be complete. Prints are not included. D. M.

BUFFALO, NEW YORK. BUFFALO FINE ARTS ACADEMY, ALBRIGHT ART GALLERY
La Toilette. 1905. Oil, 59½ x 39½ inches (no. *57)

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS. FOGG ART MUSEUM, HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Standing Nude Man. 1904. Ink (on back of next item)
Mother and Child. 1904. Crayon, 13½ x 10½ inches (no. *23)
Bathers. 1918. Pencil, 9⅜ x 12⅜ inches (no. *142)
Philosopher. 1918. Pencil, 13⅜ x 10⅞ inches (no. 143)
Pierrot. Pencil, 34 x 22¾ inches
Reclining Bather. 1923. Drawing, 10⅜ x 13⅜ inches

CHICAGO, ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO
On the Upper Deck. 1901. Oil, 15⅜ x 24¼ inches (no. *9)
The Old Guitarist. 1903. Oil on panel, 47⅜ x 32⅜ inches (no. *20)
Au Cabaret. Crayon, 4⅞ x 8⅛ inches
Girl and Man. Ink, 9⅛ x 12⅛ inches
Nude Man. Pencil, 12 x 8 inches
Peasants from Andorra. 1906. Ink, 22⅞ x 13⅛ inches (no. *63)
Musical Instruments. 1916. Gouache, 5⅜ x 4⅜ inches

CHICAGO, ARTS CLUB OF CHICAGO
Head of Woman. 1923. Red chalk, 23½ x 17½ inches

CLEVELAND, OHIO. CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART
Standing Nude. 1905. Gouache, 25½ x 19¼ inches (no. *61)

COLUMBUS, OHIO. COLUMBUS GALLERY OF FINE ARTS
The Appetizer. 1901. Watercolor, 17 x 13⅛ inches
Boy with Cattle. 1903-04. Gouache, 23⅛ x 18⅛ inches
Portrait with words “J’aime Eva.” 1912. Oil, 38⅜ x 25 inches (no. *109)
Still Life. 1915. Oil, 25 x 31½ inches
Abstraction. 1916. Watercolor, 17½ x 13¼ inches

DETROIT, MICHIGAN. DETROIT INSTITUTE OF FINE ARTS
Portrait of E. Forest. Charcoal

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT. WADSWORTH ATHENEUM
Standing Nude. 1922. Oil on wood, 7½ x 5½ inches (no. *169)
Two Ballet Dancers Resting. 1925. Ink, 13½ x 9¾ inches (no. 196)

HONOLULU, HAWAII. ACADEMY OF ARTS
Pierrot. 1927. Oil, 22 x 18 inches

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. LOS ANGELES MUSEUM
Figure. 1912. Charcoal and ink?
Woman at Mirror. 1934. Watercolor
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**Merion, Pennsylvania, Barnes Foundation**

- Girl with Cigarette. 1901. Oil
- The Baby. 1901. Oil
- Peasants (Composition). 1905. Oil
- Acrobat. 1905. Oil
- Still Life. 1915? Oil

**New York, Museum of Living Art, New York University**

- Self Portrait. 1906. Oil, 36 x 28 inches (no. *66)
- Composition study for *Les Demoiselles d’Avignon*. 1907. Watercolor, 63/4 x 83/4 inches (no. *70)
- Bowls and Jug. 1908. Oil, 32 x 253/4 inches (no. *79)
- Pipe and Violin. 1911. Oil, 223/4 x 18 inches
- Drawing. 1912. Charcoal, 18 x 23 inches
- Still Life with Fruit. 1913. Pasted paper and charcoal, 253/4 x 193/4 inches (no. 112)
- Guitar and Bottle. 1913. Pencil, 12 x 153/4 inches
- Composition. 1914. Watercolor and pencil, 73/4 x 113/4 inches
- Still Life. 1914. Oil, 12 x 163/4 inches
- Glass of Absinthe. 1914. Painted bronze, 83/4 inches high (no. *119)
- Open Window. 1919. Watercolor, 133/4 x 83/4 inches
- Three Musicians. 1921. Oil, 80 x 74 inches (no. *165)
- Composition. 1922. Oil, 61/4 x 81/2 inches
- Still Life. 1923. Oil, 32 x 293/4 inches
- Still Life. 1924. Conté crayon with oil wash, 93/4 x 63/4 inches (no. 183)
- Composition. 1926. Ink and pastel, 121/4 x 181/4 inches
- Dinard. 1928. Oil, 91/2 x 61/2 inches
- Study for *Lysistrata* illustrations. 1934. Ink, 91/2 x 133/4 inches (no. 271)

**New York, Museum of Modern Art**

- La Coiffure. 1905. Oil, 683/8 x 393/4 inches (no. 51)
- Hercules. 1905? Ink, 63/4 x 41/2 inches
- Head. 1909. Gouache, 24 x 18 inches (no. 88)
- Man with a Hat. 1913. Papier collé, charcoal, ink, 243/4 x 181/2 inches (no. 105)
- Green Still Life. 1914. Oil, 231/2 x 313/4 inches (no. 120)
- Seated Woman. 1918. Gouache, 51/2 x 41/2 inches
- Woman in White. 1923. Oil, 39 x 313/2 inches (no. *179)
- Four Ballet Dancers. 1925. Ink, 131/2 x 10 inches (no. *195)
- Guitar and Fruit. 1924? Oil, 51/2 x 381/4 inches
- Seated Woman. 1926-27. Oil, 511/2 x 381/2 inches (no. *208)
- The Studio. 1927-28. Oil, 59 x 91 inches (no. *212)
- Girl before a Mirror. 1932. Oil, 633/4 x 511/2 inches (no. *246)

**New York, Brooklyn Museum**

- Head of a Young Man. 1923? Crayon, 241/2 x 183/4 inches (no. 178)

**New York, Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation**

- Fruit Bowl. 1908. Oil, 253/8 x 281/4 inches
- Pierrot (Seated Man). 1911. Oil, 511/2 x 351/2 inches (no. *97)
- Landscape, Ceret. 1914. Oil, 251/2 x 193/4 inches
- Musician. 1914. Oil, 25 x 191/2 inches
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Abstraction. 1916. Collage, 18½ x 24½ inches
Abstraction. 1918. Oil, 14 x 11 inches
Composition. 1918. Oil, 13½ x 10½ inches
Lemon. 1927. Oil, 7 x 5½ inches

NEW YORK. CHESTER DALE COLLECTION (OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY)

The Gourmet. 1901. Oil, 36 x 27 inches
The Tragedy. 1903. Oil on panel, 41½ x 27¼ inches
Study for the Juggler. 1905? Drawing, 10½ x 7½ inches
Juggler with Still Life. 1905. Oil on cardboard, 38½ x 27¼ inches
Two Youths. 1905. Oil, 59¼ x 36½ inches
The Acrobat’s Family. 1905. Oil, 92½ x 67½ inches
Still Life, Mandolin. 1918. Oil, 38 x 51¼ inches
Classical Head. 1922. Oil, 24 x 19¼ inches
Portrait of Mme. Picasso. 1923. Oil, 39½ x 32 inches
The Lovers. 1923. Oil, 50 x 38 inches

NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS. SMITH COLLEGE MUSEUM OF ART

The Table. 1919-20. Oil, 31 x 29⅞ inches (no. *147)

PHILADELPHIA. PHILADELPHIA MUSEUM OF ART

Woman with Loaves. 1905. Oil, 39 x 27½ inches (no. *56)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND. MUSEUM OF THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN

La Vie. 1903. Oil, 77¾ x 50½ inches (no. *19)
Two Nudes. 1923, Ink

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK. MEMORIAL ART GALLERY

Flowers in a Blue Vase. 1904. Gouache, 24½ x 18½ inches

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. CITY ART MUSEUM

The Mother. 1901. Canvas on cardboard, 29½ x 20 inches
Nude. 1907. Oil on panel, 13½ x 8½ inches

TOLEDO, OHIO. TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART

Woman with a Cow. 1904. Gouache and pastel, 25½ x 19½ inches (no. *25)
Head of a Woman. 1905. Gouache, 25½ x 19 inches

WASHINGTON, D. C. PHILLIPS MEMORIAL GALLERY

The Blue Room. 1901. Oil, 20 x 24½ inches (no. *15)
Jester. 1905. Bronze, 16¼ inches high (no. *32)
Woman. 1918. Oil, 13½ x 10½ inches
Studio Corner. 1921. Watercolor, 8 x 10¼ inches
Bull Fight. 1934. Oil, 19½ x 25¼ inches (no. *263)
Where Picasso has lived: a chronology

For the years 1881-1906 Christian Zervos' introduction to Volume I of his catalogue raisonné of Picasso's work (bibl. 231) is the principal authority. For subsequent years a list especially prepared by Henry Kahnweiler has proved indispensable.

A. H. B. Jr.

1881 October 25th. Born in Malaga, Spain.
1891 Moves with parents to Corunna.
1895 Moves with parents to Barcelona.
1896-1900 Barcelona, Madrid, Barcelona.
1900 Paris (October, for a month — 49 rue Gabrielle).
1901 Malaga, Madrid, Paris (spring — 130ter Boulevard de Clichy), Barcelona.
1902 Barcelona (8 months), Paris (autumn — Hotel Champollion, rue Champollion; Hotel du Maroc, rue de Seine; Boulevard Barbès).
1903 Barcelona.
1904 Paris (spring — 13 rue Ravignan, now 13 Place Émile-Goudeau, where he lived until 1909).

PARIS ADDRESSES SUMMER VACATIONS AND OTHER EXCURSIONS

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