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Camille Pissarro (10 July 1830 – 13 November 1903) was an Impressionist painter born on the island of [St Thomas \(West Indies\)](#). His importance resides in his contribution to Impressionism; he was the only artist to exhibit in both forms. Pissarro's work was influenced by [Courbet](#) and [Jean-Baptiste-Camille Corot](#). He later studied with [Jules Pascin](#) and [Paul Signac](#) when he took on the Neo-Impressionist style at the end of his career.

In 1873 he helped establish a collective society of fifteen artists, holding the group together and encouraging the other members. [Rudolf Steiner](#) called Pissarro the head of the Impressionist movement.

group, but also "by virtue of his wisdom and his balance
CÃ©zanne said "he was a father for me. A man to consu
of Gauguin's masters. Renoir referred to his work as â œ
"common man", as Pissarro insisted on painting individ

Pissarro is the only artist to have shown his work at all e
1886. As a stylistic forerunner of Impressionism, he is to
Impressionists" but to all four of the major Post-Impres
Gogh and Paul Gauguin.

Early years

Camille Pissarro was born on July 10, 1830 on the island
father, who was of Portuguese Jewish descent, held Freer
father was a merchant who came to the island from Fra
uncle, and married his widow. The marriage, however, c
community, either because Rachel was outside the faith
uncle, and in subsequent years his four children were fo
death, his will specified that his estate be split equally b
church.

When Camille was twelve his father sent him to boardin
in Passy near Paris. While a young student, he develop
Monsieur Savary himself gave him a strong grounding in
nature when he returned to St. Thomas, which he did v
he work in his business, giving him a job working as a c
next five years at the job to practice drawing during brea

When he turned twenty-one, Danish artist Fritz Melbye
on painting as a full-time profession, becoming his teac
and job and live in Venezuela, where he and Melbye spe
He drew everything he could, including landscapes, vill
multiple sketchbooks. In 1855 he moved back to Paris w
Fritz Melbye's brother.

Life in France

In Paris he worked as assistant to Danish painter Anton whose style impressed him: Courbet, Charles-François also enrolled in various classes taught by masters, at sch Suisse. But Pissarro eventually found their teaching met This prompted him to search for alternative instruction

Paris Salon and Corot's influence

His initial paintings were in accord with the standards of the official body whose academic traditions dictated the annual exhibition was essentially the only marketplace worked in the traditional and prescribed manner in order

In 1859 his first painting was accepted and exhibited. He by Camille Corot, who tutored him. He and Corot both was from Corot that Pissarro was inspired to paint outdoors. Corot, along with the work of Gustave Courbet, to be discussed their work often. Jean-François Millet was a sentimental renditions of rural life.

Use of outdoor natural settings



During this period Pissarro emphasized the importance of expressing the atmosphere of a scene rather than the adulteration. After a year he began to paint scenes in the country. He found the French countryside more appealing than the city. He painted. It was still more of the peasantry outdoors to a student:

Work at the same time upon sky, water, branches and unceasingly rework until you have got it not to lose the first impression.

Corot, however, would complete his own scenic paintings revised to his preconceptions. Pissarro, on the other hand, painted in one sitting, which gave his work a more realistic feel. As *â œvulgar,â* because he painted what he saw: *â œrutted* and trees in various stages of development.â According to today's art showing garbage cans or beer bottles or created disagreements between Pissarro and Corot.

With Monet, Cœzanne, and Guillaumin

In 1859, while attending the free school, the Acadœmi younger artists who likewise chose to paint in the more Armand Guillaumin and Paul Cœzanne. What they should dictates of the Salon. Cœzanne's work had been mentioned by writes Rewald, in his later years Cœzanne "never forgot Pissarro encouraged him." As a part of the group, Pissarro that others similarly struggled with their art.

Pissarro agreed with the group about the importance of expressed his dislike of any artifice or grandeur in his work exhibits. In 1863 almost all of the group's paintings were rejected by Napoleon III instead decided to place their paintings in the Salon. However, only works of Pissarro and Cœzanne were in response from both the officials of the Salon and the public.

In subsequent Salon exhibits of 1865 and 1866, Pissarro listed whom he listed as his masters in the catalog. But in the 1860s, as an influence, in effect declaring his independence as an author œmile Zola, who offered his opinion:

â Camille Pissarro is one of the three or four true masters of the technique that is so sure.â

Another writer tries to describe elements of Pissarro's style:

“The brightness of his palette envelops objects in light. He paints the smell of the earth.”

In the late 1860s or early 1870s, Pissarro became fascinated with Japanese woodblock prints, which influenced his desire to experiment in new ways. He described the art to his son Lucien:

“It is marvelous. This is what I see in the art of the East: a calm, a grandeur, an extraordinary unity, a harmony of colors.”

Marriage and children

In 1871 he married his mother's maid, Julie Vellay, and they later have seven children. They lived outside of Paris in various rural places inspired many of his paintings, including scenes of rural life at work. He also kept in touch with the other artists of his generation and Frédéric Bazille.

The London years

After the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War of 1870 to join the army, he moved his family to Norwood, then painting, which was a forerunner of what was later called Impressionism. His friend, Theodore Duret, that every painting doesn't

Pissarro met the Paris art dealer Paul Durand-Ruel, in London for most of his life. Durand-Ruel put him in touch with the Impressionist period. They both viewed the work of British landscape painters as confirmed to their belief that their style of open air painting could achieve an atmosphere, an effect that they felt could not be achieved by any other means.

began to take on a more spontaneous look, with loosely more depth to the work.

Paintings

Through the paintings Pissarro completed at this time, when they were just recently connected by railways, but one of these paintings is a view of *St. Bartholomew's Church Avenue, Sydenham*, in the collection of the London National Gallery in Upper Norwood and are listed and illustrated in the catalogue by Ludovic-Rodolphe Pissarro and Lionello Venturi and published in *Under the Snow*, and *Lordship Lane Station*, views of *Trinity College, Sydenham Hill, All Saints Church*, and a lost painting.

Returning to France, in 1890 Pissarro again visited England. He came back again in 1892, painting in Kew Gardens and several oils of *Bedford Park, Chiswick*.

French Impressionism

When Pissarro returned to his home in France after the war done over 20 years, which he was forced to leave behind, his rest had been damaged or destroyed by the soldiers, who were to keep their boots clean. It is assumed that many of those paintings were developing, thereby documenting the birth of Impressionism.

He soon reestablished his friendships with the other Impressionists: Cézanne, Monet, Manet, Renoir, and Degas. Pissarro wanted an alternative to the Salon so their group could

To assist in that endeavor, in 1873 he helped establish a group called "Société des Artistes, Peintres, Sculpteurs et Graveurs," which in its first charter and became the central figure in establishing Impressionism. He noted that with his prematurely gray beard, the forty-th

and father figure by the group. Yet he was able to work his youthful temperament and creativity. Another writer said that he had the look of an ancestor who remained a young man.

Impressionist Exhibitions

The following year, in 1874, the group held their first 'Impressionist' exhibition, which horrified the critics, who primarily appreciated only traditional mythological settings. They found fault with the Impressionists' style.

- The subject matter was considered 'vulgar' as it was going about their everyday lives. Pissarro's paintings depicted modern and unkempt settings;
- The manner of painting was too sketchy and looked like a study, unlike the traditional styles of the period. The use of visible brushstrokes was considered an insult to the craft of traditional art. Impressionist paintings were often done in one sitting and the colors were not allowed to dry.
- The use of color by the Impressionists relied on natural light. They painted with the reflected light of surrounding objects, rather than using a fixed palette.

A "revolutionary" style

Pissarro showed five of his paintings, all landscapes, at the exhibition, and that of the others. One critic, the poet Armand Silvestre, called him the inventor of this [Impressionist] painting. In the Impressionist exhibition, Wolf complained in his review, "Try to make M. Pissarro's color the color of fresh butter..." Journalist and art critic Octave Uzanne said, "Pissarro has been a revolutionary through the revitalization of painting."

According to Rewald, Pissarro had taken on an attitude that he writes:

"Rather than glorifying 'consciously or not' the modern world without any 'pose' in their habitual surroundings, they sought out the many facets of contemporary life."

In later years, Cézanne also recalled this period and in 1906, a few years after Pissarro's death, Cézanne, the artists, paid Pissarro a debt of gratitude by having himself painted as a pupil of Pissarro.

Pissarro, Degas, and American impressionist Mary Cassatt in the late 1870s, which contained a large group of their own works. Pissarro's grandson Joachim Pissarro notes that they were "professedly" exhibited at them. Together they shared an "almost" mutual interest in their later correspondences it is clear that their mutual interests as well as aesthetic concerns.

Cassatt had befriended Degas and Pissarro years earlier. She was part of the Impressionist group and gave up opportunities to exhibit in the Salon, treated as "two outsiders" by the Salon since neither was she "fired up with the cause" of promoting Impressionism with her new friends". Toward the end of the 1870s, she was "against whose "wicked tongue" she was unable to defend "the gentle Camille Pissarro", with whom she could speak. She once described him as a teacher "that could have taught

Neo-Impressionism period

By the 1880s, Pissarro began to explore new themes and subjects. He felt that the Impressionist movement was an artistic "empire". As a result, Pissarro went to the countryside, which he had done in Venezuela in his youth. He painted "peasants working to make a living".

However, this period also marked the end of the Impressionist movement. As Joachim Pissarro points out, "Once we turned back on Impressionism, it was apparent that Impressionism

It was Pissarro's intention during this period to help

or at home in realistic settings, without idealizing their
during this period as "revolutionary," in his attempt
not use his art to overtly preach any kind of political me
humble subjects was intended to be seen and purchase
with a more unified brushwork along with pure strokes

Studying with Seurat and Signac

In 1884 he met Georges Seurat and Paul Signac, both of
painting by using very small patches of pure colors to cr
viewed from a distance. Pissarro then spent the next four
consuming and laborious technique, referred to as pointi
Impressionist works, and were on display in the 1886 In
along with works by Seurat, Signac, and his son Lucien.

All four works were considered an "exception" to the
virtually every reviewer who commented on Pissarro's
change his art, revise his position and take on new chal

"It is difficult to speak of Camille Pissarro . . . Wh
who continually grows and courageously adapts t

Pissarro explained the new art form as a "phase in the
among the other Impressionists with this attitude, how
became the "only artist who went from Impressionism

In 1884, art dealer Theo van Gogh asked Pissarro if he wo
in his home. According to Pissarro's son Lucien, his
"foreseen the power of this artist", who was 23 years
him, Pissarro did explain to him the various ways of fine
later used in his paintings, notes Lucien.

Abandoning Neo-Impressionism

Pissarro eventually turned away from Neo-Impressionism in a letter to a friend:

“ Having tried this theory for four years and having myself one of the neo-impressionists. . . It was in consequence to render life and movement, impossible, admirable, of nature, impossible to give an individual up.”

However, after reverting back to his earlier style, his work's color scheme more refined, his drawing firmer. . . So it was increased mastery.”

But the change also added to Pissarro's continual financial headstrong courage and a tenacity to undertake and Pissarro, was due to his lack of fear of the immediate his work was strong enough to bolster his morale and contemporaries, however, continued to view his independence to him for advice, referring to him as “Père Pissarro”

Later years

In his older age Pissarro suffered from a recurring eye infection except in warm weather. As a result of this disability, he painted from the window of hotel rooms. He often chose hotel rooms on the northern coast of France and painted from hotels in Rouen, Paris, and London. He would do the same.

Pissarro died in Paris on 13 November 1903 and was buried in the Père Lachaise Cemetery.

Legacy and influence

According to Pissarro's son, Lucien, his father painted
recalls that Cézanne walked a few miles to join Pissarro
ideas during their work, the younger Cézanne wanted
as he admired Pissarro's landscapes from the 1860s.
Pissarro, said that "he was a father for me. A man to

Lucien Pissarro was taught painting by his father, and d
imposing his personality on his pupil. Gauguin, who
force with which future artists would have to reckon
Pissarro's death:

"If we observe the totality of Pissarro's work,
extreme artistic will, never belied, but also an ess
masters and I do not deny him."

The American impressionist Mary Cassatt, who at one p
"such a teacher that he could have taught the stones

Lost and found paintings

During the early 1930s throughout Europe, Jewish own
themselves forced to give up or sell off their collections
the new Nazi regime. Many Jews, such as Albert Einstei
into exile owned valuables, including artwork, they wer
personal possessions or sold them at auction for cash. I
masterpieces were found on display in various galleries
Some, as a result of legal action, were later returned to t
recovered paintings were then donated to the same or c

One such lost piece, Pissarro's 1897 oil painting, "Rue S
discovered hanging at Madrid's government-owned mu
January 2011, the Spanish government denied a request
Cassirer family in California, which claims with proof th
Germany. The case is scheduled for trial by the U.S. Dis

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