

## A NEW LANGUAGE

OF FORM

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Kasimir Malevich

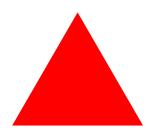
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## INTRODUCTION

## [timeline]

**CUBISM** 

**1907** 

**SUPREMATISM** 

1913

**DE STIJL** 

**1917** 

▲ **1909** FUTURISM

**1915** 

**CONSTRUCTIVISM** 

## INTRODUCTION

## [preface]

## **CUBISM**



- Piercing figures
- Blends background into foreground
- Shows objects from various angles



#### **FUTURISM**

- Evokes all kinds of sensations
- Brings noise and heat

#### **SUPREMATISM**

- Founded by Kazimir Malevich
- Geometric abstract art
- Abstraction

#### DE STIJL

- Similar to Suprematism
- Seek universal laws of balance and harmony for art

CONSTRUCTIVISM

- Visual Communications
- Use art for social cause



## [introduction]

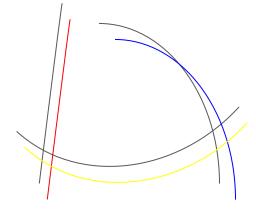
**Art movement** 

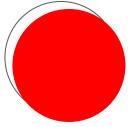
Basic geometric forms

**Elementary colours** 





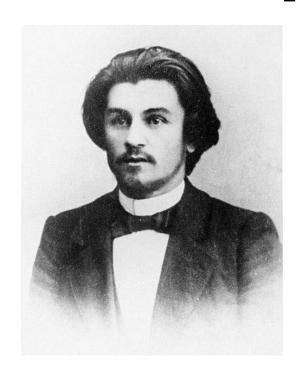




## [introduction]



Founded Suprematism in 1913



**Kazimir Malevich** 



Avant-Garde Artist & Art Theorist

## [quote]

Suprematism is an abstract art based upon 'the supremacy of pure artistic feeling', rather than on visual depiction of objects.



Suprematist art focuses on the interrelation of form and color, rather than the representation of beautiful images.

## [quote]



Suprematism itself refers to the supremacy of the artist's feelings straight into the art work,

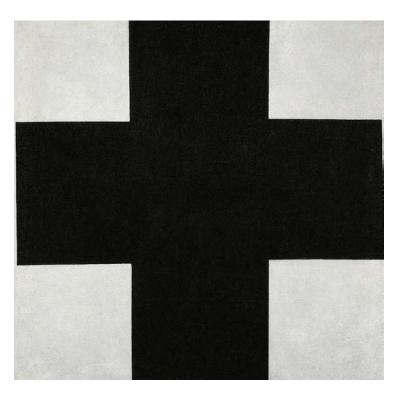
without any desire whatsoever to represent them as real life things which we all can identify with such as landscapes and portraits etc.



## [works]

Clear geometric lines-Top down, left right

Small range of colors-Black & white



Human life-Power to choose

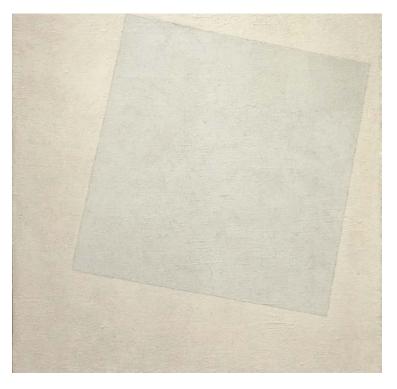
Image of decision-Good & evil

**Black Cross** Oil on Canvas (1923)

## [works]

Illusion of depth & volume

Removed any forms of colour



Emphasizes painting in materials aspect

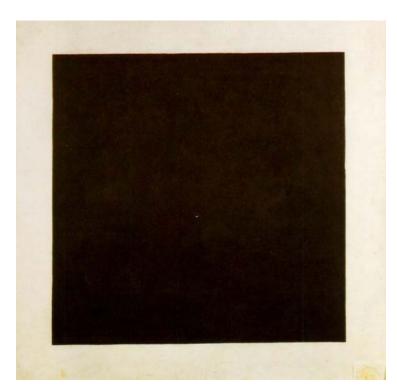
Radical re-invention of the medium

White On White Oil on Canvas (1918)

## [works]

Black paint dominates the painting

Flatness over depth



Favors nature of abstraction

Conveys feeling of displeasure

Feeling of pain followed by relief

**Black Square** Oil on Linen (1915)

## [works]

#### Other notable works:









What similarities do you see?

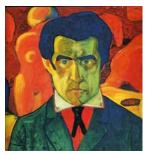
## [works]







**Early Works** 





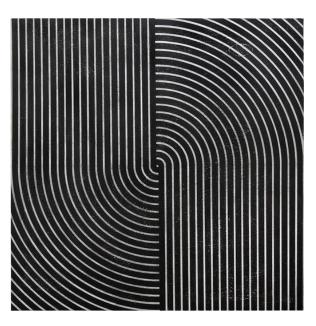


Donkey's Tail Exhibition

## [influence]



Dulles, Sarah Morris, 2001



Untitled, Davide Balliano, 2016

## [video]

#### **Kazimir Malevich | TateShots**



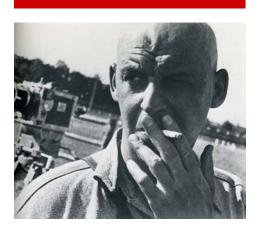
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UWofzvBCnLc

## [introduction]





**Vladimir Tatlin** 



Alexander Rodchenko



**Industrial Design** 



**Visual Communications** 



**Applied Arts** 



#### **3 Principles of Constructivism**

#### **Tectonics**

Represented the unification of communist ideology with visual form

#### **Texture**

The nature of materials and how they are used in industrial production

#### Construction

Symbolized the creative process and the search for laws of visual organization

## [works]

#### **El Lissitzky**







Proun 19D

Beat the Whites with the Red Wedge

#### PROUN

"projects for the establishment [affirmation] of a new art"

#### **El Lissitzky**



The Isms of Art Title Page

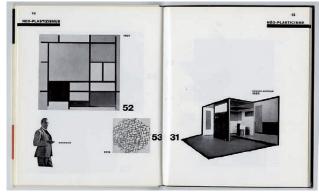
Medium-weight sans-serif type, mathematical division of the space, white areas, and bold rules established a typographic standard for the modern movement.



The Isms of Art

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## [works]

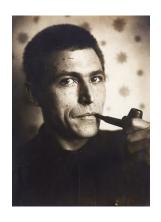


The Isms of Art

Asymmetrical balance, silhouette halftones, and a skillful use of white space

## [works]

#### **Gustav Klutsis**



Propaganda Photomontage



Spartakiada postcard



"We Will Repay the Coal Debt to the Country,"



"Everyone Must Vote in the Election of Soviets,"



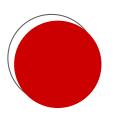
"In the Storm of the Third Year of the Five-Year Plan,"

# **DE STIJL** AKA NEO-PLASTICISM AKA THE STYLE



Théo van Doesburg







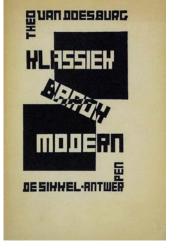


Universal laws of balance and harmony for art

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**Book Cover** 

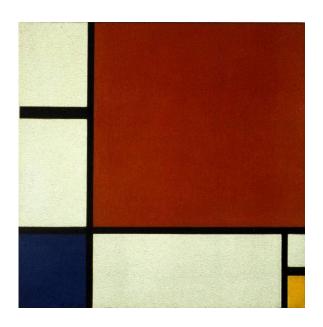
Cover for Klassiek, Barok, Moderne (Classic, Baroque, Modern),

Model for the Schroeder House

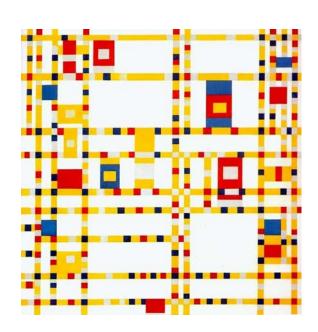
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Piet Mondrian



Composition II in Red, Blue, and Yellow



Broadway Boogie-Woogie

### **MODERN GRAPHIC DESIGN**





Title page spread for i10, 1927.

Words ran vertically, bold sans-serif type placed into serif text for emphasis, bullets separating paragraphs, and bold bars next to page numbers.

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