

All About...

Giacometti



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Alberto Giacometti

Alberto Giacometti was a Swiss artist who was born 10th October 1901 and died 11th January 1966. As well as painting, Giacometti specialised in other art forms. Click on the word to find out more.

Sculpture

Sculpture is three-dimensional art made by carving, modelling, making casts or constructing.

Drafting

Technical drawings or plans for machines, buildings and electronics.

Printmaking

Art made by printing patterns, sometimes using blocks.

Giacometti's Early Life



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Surrealism and Cubism

In 1922, Giacometti moved to Paris where he studied sculpture alongside some of the most famous sculptors of the time.



Sculptures

Giacometti made sculptures by having people model for him. He liked to use models he knew well. These models included friends and family.

Giacometti went through a phase of being interested in human heads and made many sculptures of them.



Woman of Venice VII

Sculptures



Over time, Giacometti's style began to change. He often made sculptures of people he knew from memory. Every time he made one of these sculptures, he found they got smaller and smaller.

Giacometti started to make larger sculptures. As his sculptures grew taller, they also became thinner.



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