

A survey of Spanish and Catalan art and architecture from the 1<sup>st</sup> century  
A.D. to the present using the city of Barcelona as the classroom

# History of Art and Architecture of Spain and Catalonia

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## Part I: From Ancient Rome through the Middle Ages

Barcelona's Roman period, from antiquity to late antiquity, and includes later Romanesque and Gothic examples of Catalonia's golden age of art and architecture when its empire stretched across most of the Mediterranean. Developments and advancements in techniques of building and painting reflect new relationships between God, church, nation, and city

Barcino  
Sant Pau del Camp  
Santa Maria del Mar





## Part II: The Golden Age of Spanish Painters

Humanism, Mannerism and Realism in art and painting. The rediscovery of ancient Greece and Rome, the Enlightenment, the Reformation, Counter-Reformation, and the political and social upheavals of the 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries. The importance of power in art: Velázquez, El Greco, and Goya at the forefront of a symbiotic relationship between artist and Spanish history

El Greco  
Goya



**El Greco**  
Velázquez  
Goya





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### Part III: Barcelona and Art Nouveau

Barcelona, world capital of the Art Nouveau movement known as "modernism." Gaudí, Puig i Cadafach, and Domènec i Montaner as examples of how the Arts and Crafts movement was a direct reaction to the spoils of the Industrial Revolution from the late 19<sup>th</sup> - early 20<sup>th</sup> century





**Gaudí**

Puig i Cadafach

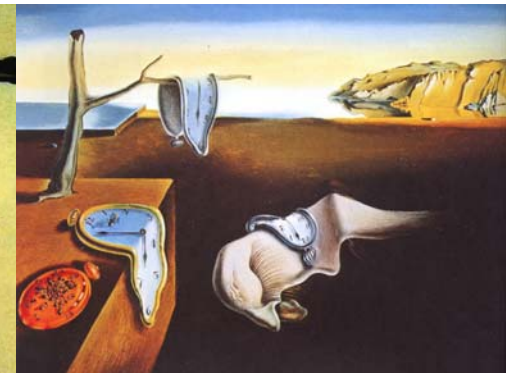
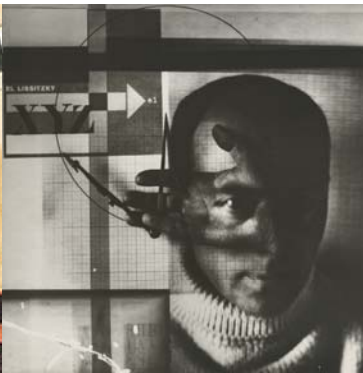
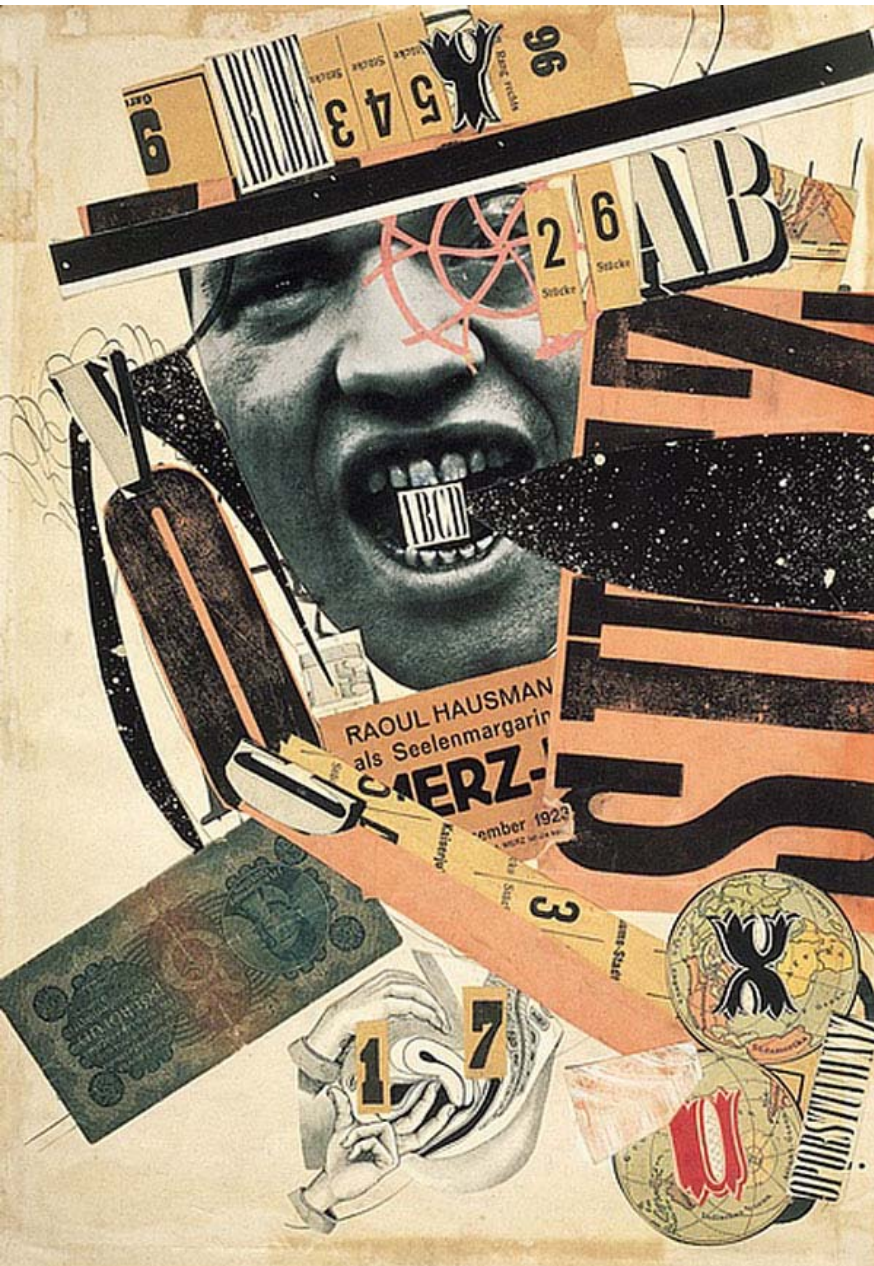
Domènec i Montaner





Gaudí  
Puig i Cadalfach  
**Domènec i Montaner**





#### Part IV: Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century Avant-Garde to the present

Picasso, Dalí, and Miró as major figures of 20<sup>th</sup> century Avant-garde movements, and Barcelona's urban transformation from major, industrialized city to its post-Olympic status in the 21<sup>st</sup> century





**Mies Van De Rohe**

Picasso

Miró





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**Barcelona in the  
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