

### **Artists at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago**

The Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago displays the works of thousands of artists, among the most notable are Frida Kahlo and Takashi Murakami. When looking at data of artists who have their works on display at the MCA, we can notice a few trends. When looking at data of 10,000 plus artists, nationality, birth decade and gender were important characteristics. First we notice that the art in the museum is overwhelmingly created by male artists. We also notice that most of the art is created by American artists that were born in the 1930's and 1940's meaning their adult years were lived in a post World War II world. This is only being pointed out because there are a few works produced by artists who were born in the nineteenth century, so they may have been in their 70's or 80's during the post WW2 contemporary era. One last thing to notice is that most of the artists are from countries that were active players in the war including America, France, Britain, Japan and Germany. Contemporary art is art produced post WWII, usually from the seventies that depicts a modern world and includes a wide range of mediums. At the Museum of Contemporary Art we can see how this era was mostly dominated by works produced by young American males.