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manuscripts

History



“Manus” - hand “Scriptus” - written

- Early manuscripts date back 400 A.D.
- Started out with monks in monasteries

History



- Start of 12th Century
 - Manuscripts were a business
- Decline of handwritten books 1400's
 - Ghutenberg printing press

Materials



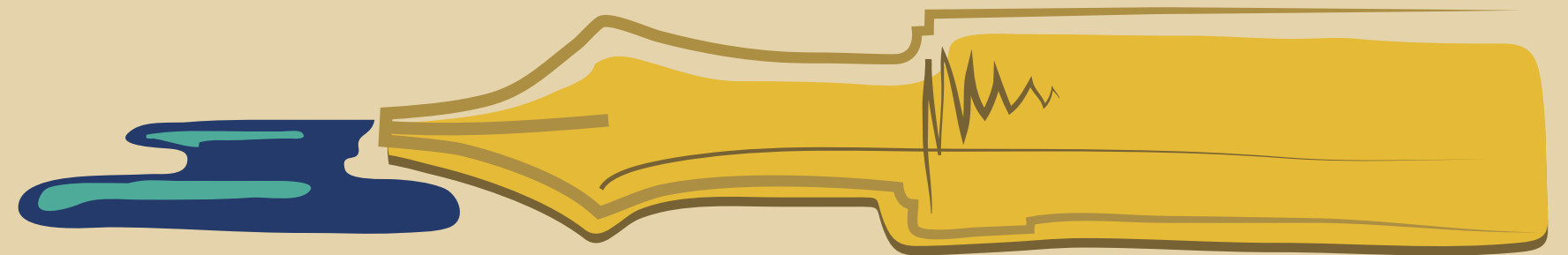
- Parchment or Vellum

- Animal skins

- Inks

- Black Encaustic

- Lampblack



Purpose

- Manuscripts were few and expensive
- Time and material consuming





Dante's "Divine Comedy"

Illuminators



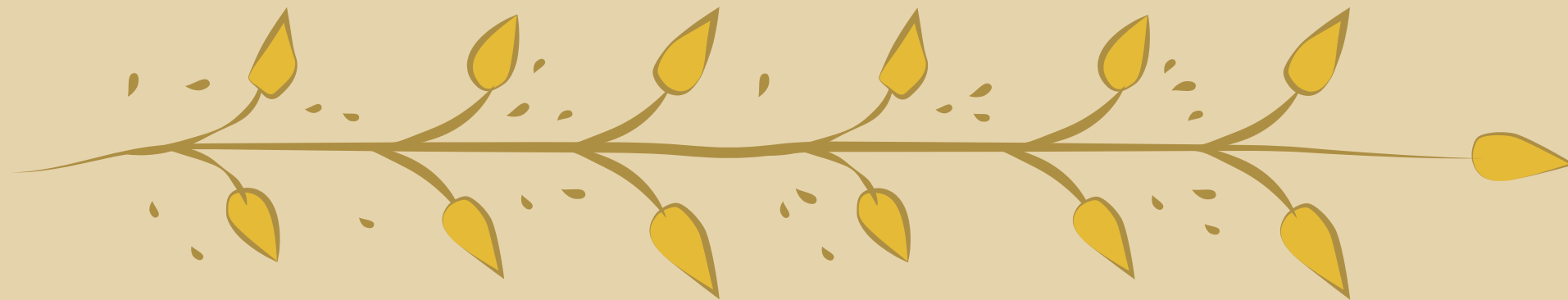
- Taddeo Crivelli and Franco dei Russi
 - Italian Illuminators



Illuminators



- 14th Century is Jean Pucelle
 - one of the best illuminators and miniaturists of the time



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