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## Intro

Romaine Brooks (1874-1970) was an American expatriate who spent most of her life in Europe, where her inherited wealth afforded her the opportunity to be a professional artist. She is most famous for her portraits of women who challenged society's beliefs about traditional female roles during the early twentieth century. Her self-portrait, in which she portrayed herself as a proud lesbian dressed in chic men's clothing in particular has spawned a veritable cult following.

## "No Pleasant Memories"

Quotes from the unpublished memoirs of Romaine Brooks



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