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Katsushika Hokusai's Ukiyo

They were struck very strongly by the expressive curves, bold use of colors, and liberal designs of ukiyo-e.

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Photos from top : Mikaeri Bijin A Beauty Looking over Her Shoulder by Hishikawa Moronobu; Ichikawa Monnosuke The Actor Ichikawa Monnosuke by Torii Kiyonobu; Tokaido Gojusanstugi: Yokkaichi Fifty-Three Stations of the Tokaido: Yokkaichi by Utagawa Hiroshige; Sawamura Sojuro The Actor Sawamura Sojuro by Utagawa Toyokuni; Fuyu Rokkasen: Sojo Henjo Six Famous Poets: The Priest Henjo by Suzuki Harunobu. Ukiyo-e means ' pictures of the floating world', and is associated with Buddhist principles regarding the ephemerality of human existence. Utagawa Kunisada was amongst the most influential designers of woodblock prints at the end of the Edo period in.

Japanese Culture

Ukiyo-e Genres As ukiyo-e developed into popular art, subjects having to do with entertainment came to be taken up. Over two centuries, many different regional schools developed, each with its own specialization and stylistic markers. This allowed for the Japanese populace to indulge in vicarious travels to national landmarks.

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Soon, these artists also did woodblock prints as inexpensive alternatives to paintings, making ukiyo-e available to everyone. Kunisada is particularly known for his illustrations of the Tale of Genji and his kabuki triptychs.

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