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The Exquisite Life of Oscar Wilde by Stephen Calloway

Violence can be done in its name. His escapades even landed him in prison for two years near the end of his life.

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Nobody of any real culture, for instance, ever talks nowadays about the beauty of a sunset. Indeed, the twentieth century brought forth many Dorian Grays: fiendishly pure spirits so wrapped up in aesthetics that they become heedless of humanity.

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With his Poems, Oscar Wilde upended both expectations — insincere in his borrowing from the tone, imagery and form of earlier romantic poets and superfluous, obscene — unmanly — in his unrestrained infusion of lush, sensual imagery into the poems. Only one character experiences anything like spontaneous joy, and that is Sibyl Vane, when she decides to abandon the artistic life and devote herself to Dorian. He had long alluded to the concept of homosexuality through his work however, even though at the time it was still outlawed in most places and was considered one of the worst social taboos.

How Oscar Wilde Painted Over “Dorian Gray”

Ever since that moment, literary scholars, doctors and Wilde fans have argued about the precise cause of his death. In the novel, an older artist is attracted to the beauty of a younger man whose portrait he paints.

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He has refused to bow the knee to Baal, and after all, even if the man's fine spirit did not revolt against the noisy assertions of realism, his style would be quite sufficient of itself to keep life at a respectful distance. A fresh mode of Beauty is absolutely distasteful to them, and whenever it appears they get so angry and bewildered that they always use two stupid expressions—one is that the work of art is grossly unintelligible; the other, that the work of art is grossly immoral.

No, Oscar Wilde probably didn't die of syphilis

A nascent gay-rights movement embraced him as a hero of defiance.

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If you set a picture by Hokusai, or Hokkei, or any of the great native painters, beside a real Japanese gentleman or lady, you will see that there is not the slightest resemblance between them. He was regularly scorned and on one occasion was beaten up by his fellow students, but fended them off singlehandedly and was left undeterred! When I was in college, AIDS cast a pall of fear over gay life, and I struggled to summon the courage to tell my closest friends who I was. Their copyright has expired, which means they can be used freely and reproduced in any manner by anyone without the need for permission.

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If, on the other hand, we regard Nature as the collection of phenomena external to man, people only discover in her what they bring to her. Books are well written, or badly written.

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