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Impressionism, a groundbreaking art movement of the 19th century, sought to capture the fleeting, ephemeral nature of reality. Rather than striving for a meticulous reproduction of the external world, Impressionist artists prioritised the portrayal of subjective experiences, atmospheric effects, and nuanced shifts in colour and light. This movement celebrated the essence of the moment. This, therefore created a new dialogue between art and reality and marking a significant departure from traditional art conventions. In this guide, discover the timeline of Impressionism, the main characteristics of the art and the main contributors to the revolutionary movement. A visual impression of the moment that captures a feeling or experience rather than portraying an accurate representation; a record of the soul and sensations. Claude Monet: Stacks of Wheat (End of Day, Autumn) The Impressionistmovement lasted from 1860 to about 1887 and continues to influence, have great popularity, and be a significant part of life and art today.Impressionism began when a school of French artists questioned the traditional approach to art. They wanted to use a freer, looser style that wasnt bound by formal, technical constraints. They wanted to express themselves more unconventionally and create things the way they saw them in their minds eye. In 1874 these rebellious artists held a private exhibition in Paris to announce their new and as yet unnamed style. Claude Monet exhibited a painting called Impression, Sunrise and one visitor at the exhibition made a sarcastic remark, saying that it was Impressionism and so the phrase was coined. Pierre-Auguste Renoir: Boating at Argenteuil The Impressionists were fundamentally at odds with the academic standards of art that were upheld by the Salon, the official art exhibition of the Acadmie des Beaux-Arts in Paris. This prestigious institution preferred historical subjects, religious themes, and portraits, all executed in a polished, meticulous style. The Impressionists, on the other hand, sought to capture everyday life. They favoured spontaneity over precision, and valued colour over lineall of which contradicted the Salons criteria for good art. In 1863, the Salon rejected an unusually high number of works, leading to public outcry. In response, Emperor Napoleon III decreed that the public should have the opportunity to decide the merit of the rejected works for themselves. The resulting exhibition, known as the Salon des Refuss (Salon of the Refused), included works by future Impressionists douard Manet and Camille Pissarro, among others. The fierce criticism and ridicule that met the exhibition did not deter the Impressionists. Instead, it galvanised them, cementing their determination to break free from academic conventions and explore new artistic paths. This rebellious spirit became one of the defining features of the Impressionist movement. Caspar David Friedrich: Two Men Contemplating the Moon (Romanticism) Before Impressionism came the Romanticism and Realism movements. Romanticism, which emerged in the late 18th century, was characterised by its emphasis on emotion and individualism, glorification of the past, and reverence for nature. The movement was a reaction against the Industrial Revolution and the scientific rationalisation of nature. Realism, which emerged in the mid-19th century, represented the common people in everyday situations. The Realism movement depicted reality, without the emotional overtones of Romanticism or the idealised depictions of earlier movements. Van Gogh: Starry Night over the Rhone (Post-Impressionism) Following the Impressionist era was the Post-Impressionism movement that emerged in the 1880s. Post-Impressionism extended the movements emphasis on the depiction of light and colour. However, while Impressionists sought to capture the fleeting moments of reality, Post-Impressionists aimed to express their emotional and psychological responses to the world. This led to an increased emphasis on the symbolic content of their art. It also led to a greater focus on structure, form, and composition. Notable Post-Impressionists include Vincent van Gogh, Paul Czanne, and Paul Gauguin. Edgar Degas: The Cafe Concert Impressionists tried to express the perceptions of the world around them, rather than create an exact representation of them. This allowed them to paint aninterpretation of what they sawand so let their subject matter be seen in an alternative way. Previously to Impressionism, subjects or models were painted in the way they were asked to pose, formally and seriously. Impressionists, on the other hand, wanted to portray the moods of everyday life, so subjects appeared sullen, or looking away.They were painted in their natural form. This was a risk as it could mean rejection by galleries and exhibitions and therefore loss of potential earnings. Impressionism was a vast movement that was started and centred around France and unlike most other previous movements was not based on any previous movement. This gave the artists a tantalising challenge to represent the world they saw around them without giving it a true form or by using direct means, and it also allowed them to paint just as they wanted to. Alfred Sisley: Walnut Tree in a Thomery Field A loose representation close up, but a clear picture further away. Clear and accurate skies that emphasise and contrast with the subjects depicted. No or little use of the colour black to create more colour and lightness. Use of unmixed colours straight from the tube or tin giving the object a crude look. Those portrayed have natural or real-life expressions as though capturing a moment(everyday painting)rather than a pre-arranged, false composure. Use of broken colour where an object is painted of its component colours in short strokes, not itsactual overall colour. So when looked at closely it is a multitude of different colours and far away one colour merged. Typically Impressionists would paint directly onto the white canvas rather than covering the canvas with a dark base coat beforehand, giving lighter, brighter paintings. As with any significant shift in artistic sensibilities, the Impressionist movement didnt arise in a vacuum. A myriad of influences and inspirations played key roles in shaping this revolutionary approach to art, which spurred it on to be recognised as an art movement in itself. In this section, well explore the cultural, technological, and intellectual currents that converged to give birth to Impressionism. Impressionism was able to come into being and was a side effect of the invention of photography. Artists saw and were interested in the way the newly invented camera caught a snapshot of ordinary life and normal daily situations. But more importantly,photography took the need away for any style of painting to show reality, as cameras could represent reality better itself. Impressionism as an art style provided the perfect visual contrast, therefore it flourished. Camille Pissarro: Boulevard Montmartre Morning, Grey Weather The rapid industrialisation and urbanisation of Europe, particularly France, during the 19th century, played a significant role in shaping the Impressionist movement. Artists were drawn to the changing urban landscape, capturing scenes of bustling city life, rapidly expanding railways, and burgeoning factory towns. The dynamic, transient nature of the modern city resonated with the Impressionists desire to depict fleeting moments and the passage of time. Utagawa Toyokuni II: Wild geese at Miho, Kiyomi Temple, Suruga, Yoshiwara The opening of Japan to the West in the mid-19th century brought a flood of Japanese ukiyo-e prints into Europe. These prints, with their flat areas of colour, asymmetrical compositions, unconventional perspectives, and everyday subject matter, greatly influenced the Impressionists. The fascination with Japanese art and its aesthetic principles, a phenomenon termed Japonisme, can be seen in the works of many Impressionists and Post-Impressionists, such as Manet, Degas and Van Gogh. Claude Monet: In the Woods at Giverny Blanche Hoschede Impressionist artists broke away from the norm of painting in studios, opting instead to paint en plein air, or outdoors. Painting on location allowed them to capture the subtle nuances of natural light that could not be duplicated in a studio setting. These artists were fascinated by the changing qualities of light throughout the day and in different weather conditions, and how these shifts in light could alter the appearance of a scene. By painting outdoors, they were able to observe these changes in real time and depict them in their artwork. Furthermore, painting en plein air provided the opportunity to portray the transient effects of sunlight on the landscape and objects around them. This contributed to the characteristic spontaneity of Impressionist art. In this section, we will delve into the lives and works of key artists who played a pivotal role in shaping the Impressionist movement. These painters defied traditional artistic norms and embraced a revolutionary approach, leaving an indelible impact on the world of art. Well explore their unique styles, the influences they brought to the movement, and how their contributions helped to define and popularise Impressionism. Claude Monet: Self Portrait with a Beret The founder of Impressionism grew up in Le Harve, a northern French coastal town. His work as a youth was of seascapes and some caricatures which he sold in a local shop. He was influenced away from these subjects by Eugene Boudin who in 1855/6 taught him to paint outside to study light, the air and the ever-changing weather. This was a major influence and key to his later success. John Singer Sargent: Claude Monet Painting by the Edge of a Wood From this, Monet learned to re-paint the same subject matter, usually a landscape to explore the different lights, weather, changes of seasons and times of day. Monets style developed from observations of nature and after early success was able to experiment more with his art. Rather than paint direct lines or shapes he would break his brushstrokes up into fragments that in their combined form represented the objects painted (broken colour). Claude Monet: Impression Sunrise Monet met Renoir and other then-to-be Impressionist artists at art school in the studio of Professor Charles Gleyre, the Ecole des Beaux-Artsin 1862. They quickly formed friendships that would be long-lasting and started to influence each other almost immediately. Monet and Renoir had a lot in common as they were both from working-class families and had overcome economic adversity to meet success. This adversity came to a head in 1868 when Monet was impoverished and so deeply depressed that he threw himself off a bridge into the river Seine. Although he survived, he struggled with depression for the rest of his life. Monet and Renoir worked together in 1869 to paint the first impressionist landscapes. In 1870 Monet moved to London to avoid the Franco-Prussian war, leaving his young family behind. Monet was mainly influenced by Manet, Renoir, Pissarro and Japanese art. Claude Monet: The Houses of Parliament, Sunset Monet became rich and famous in the late 1880s. From 1883, he first rented then later bought the house in Giverny called the Cider Press, where he lived until his death. (The house and gardens are open to the public at certain times of the year.) Later Monet bought a strip of marshland across the road from the house, through which flowed a tributary of the Epte and so by diverting this stream, he began to construct awater-lilygarden. In 1899 Monet painted 12 works that centred on the garden and the Japanese Footbridge he had constructed there. Claude Monet: Water-Lilies Although Impressionism ended in 1887, it is considered to have lived on in Claude Monet until he died in 1926. Monet painted some of his best work in the 1900s and saw Impressionism eclipsed by other movements. Pierre-Auguste Renoir: The Luncheon of the Boating Party Renoir was born in Montmartre, Paris and was a leading artist in the Impressionist movement. As a boy, he worked in a porcelain factory where his art skills were recognised. Soon after, he was asked to paint designs on fine china and fans. He was a prolific painter, producing several thousand paintings in his lifetime. By 1864 he was exhibiting in the famous Paris Salon. However, his work there went largely unnoticed, this was mainly because of the disruption caused by the Franco-Prussian war. After a series of rejections by the Salon juries, Renoir joined forces with Monet, Sisley, Pissarro, Frederic Bazille and several other artists to mount the first Impressionist exhibition in April 1874, in which he displayed six paintings which were favourably received. Pierre-Auguste Renoir: Three Umbrellas In the early 1880s, his situation changed with his marriage to Aline Charigot and his art being exhibited by art dealer Paul Durand-Durel. Durel became the most important commercial advocate of French Impressionism. He succeeded in establishing a market for Impressionism in the United States and Europe. About 1500 of Renoirs works can therefore be related to Durel. He was the man behind the scenes who made Impressionism commercially possible. Pierre-Auguste Renoir: Dance at Le Moulin de la Galette After visiting Europe and Africa, Renoir became disillusioned with Impressionism. In the 1880s / 1890s returned to France to paint in a more formal style. However, later in the early 20th century, despite illness and being immobile he reverted to artistic experimentation in sculpture and portraits. The year Renoir died he visited the Louvre and as he saw his paintings hanging alongside the great masters he so admired. A lifetime achievement was realised. George Moore: Edouard Manet Manet had a traditional training in art, having rejected a naval career that was lined up for him. He was from a wealthy French family with high political connections. His mother was the daughter of a diplomat and the goddaughter of the Swedish crown prince. The early success and eventual much greater acceptance of his painting Le Dejeuner sur lherbe (The Luncheon on the Grass) caused much controversy. It broke many rules of art and did not replicate any observed reality. It was considered shocking as it contained a true-to-life naked woman looking back at the viewer alongside two clothed men. This was considered to be a record of an unacceptable event. Edouard Manet: Le Dejeuner sur lherbe (1862-3) Manet filled large areas of his paintings with one solid colour, simplifying rather than adding detailed perspective. He would create sudden dark outlines and these techniques were adopted by the Impressionist movement as a whole. Manet was a pivotal figure, as his art bridged realism, in the mid-1800s and Impressionism, in the late 1800s. Edouard Manet: A Bar at the Folies-Bergere Manet and fellow Impressionist Berthe Morisot were having an affair. Their affair didnt take place inParis,but intheir minds and hearts. Theycould not betogether, as they were bound byobligations,moral principles and their personal beliefs. Also, Morisot was married to Manets brother, Eugene. Inthe end,they created their artistic dimension,inwhich they found freedom and the opportunity tospend hours alone together,declaring their love for each other. Edouard Manet: In the Conservatory (1879) also known as the Winter Garden At the end of World War II, as the Allied forces closed in on Germany, the Conservatory was among the objects evacuated from the German National Gallery, Berlin and hidden in a salt mine. After the war the picture was discovered and secured by the American troops and among them were the Monuments Men. The Monuments Men were a group of about 350 men and women who tracked down and returned important pieces of art during and after World War II. Among them were museum directors, curators and art historians. The Monuments Men became a film in 2014 starring, George Clooney, Matt Damon, John Goodman, Bill Murray, Hugh Bonneville and Kate Blanchet. Edgar Degas: LEtoile Degas was mainly associated with the subject of dance, but more particularly ballet dancers behind the scenes. He was interested in painting women and the female form and unlike a lot of other artists at that time he painted nudes. He also painted scenes of daily life, some centred around drink to create the element of realism. Degas was not liked much by the other artists in the Impressionist circle as he had a sharp wit and strong conservative views. Edgar Degas: Two Ballet Dancers He was the opposite of Monet as his style was based on line whereas Monets was based on colour. He was known as the Linear Impressionist. His styles are regarded as Impressionism, Modern Art and Realism. He was from an aristocratic family, but despite this, he ran into money problems and on the death of his father and sorting out his brothers debts had to sell his house. He began to gradually lose his vision from an early age and at around forty it greatly altered the art he was able to produce. Within the Impressionist movement, there were quite naturally varying ideas on the theme of art being pursued. The artists uniting factor was dislike of the Academy and frustrations with the Salon. However, the democratising of the Salon system in 1880 and the gradual lessening of the Academys power meant that they no longer had a mutual enemy. As a result of this, tensions began to rise. Franois Joseph Heim: Charles V Distributing Awards to the Artists at the Close of the Salon of 1824 Impression was followed by Post-Impressionism which was a reaction against it.Post-Impressionists,VanGogh, Cezanne, Gaugin, Sauret, Toulouse Lautrec and Rousseau were annoyed by Impressionism and itsconventional way of painting and wanted to use more abstract forms, particularly in skies and backgrounds. Beginning in the 1880s and fuelled by fears of ageing, political differences, geographical locations, a changing Paris, and the next generation of artists gaining popularity (one of which was Art Nouveau 18901910), the issues between the artists came to a head withthe Dreyfuss Affair. The Dreyfus Affair was a subject that, at that time, divided opinion in every walk of life; in families, in the Impressionist movement itself and between people in general. Monet and Emile Zola (French novelist and playwright) were pro-Dreyfus and Degas was anti-Dreyfus. Irreconcilable differences in the political beliefs of the group eventually tore them apart. However, it was a complex combination of factors that led to that point. In conclusion, the Impressionism movement was a revolutionary period in the world of art, paving a pathway for modern art as we know it today. It was characterised by an emphasis on expressing ones perceptions before nature, breaking away from the rigid rules of the Academy. Despite the internal tensions and external criticisms they faced, artists like Manet and Degas defied conventional norms, sparking a transformation in the perception of fine art. Their radical techniques and unconventional subject matter continue to be celebrated and studied. However, like all movements, Impressionism gave way to new trends and styles, such as Post-Impressionism and Art Nouveau. The end of the Impressionism era was not merely a decline, but rather an evolution, demonstrating the dynamic and ever-evolving nature of art. cole des Beaux-Arts is a French term meaning school of fine arts ,the free encyclopedia that anyone can edit.117,937 active editors 7,000,605 articles in EnglishAndrea Navagero (14831529) was a Venetian diplomat and writer. He entered the Great Council of Venice at the age of twenty, five years younger than was normal at the time. He edited manuscripts at the Aldine Press, garnering a reputation as a scholar and a highly skilled writer. In 1515, he was appointed the official historian of the Republic of Venice as well as the caretaker of a library containing the collection of the scholar Bessarion. Navagero was named the Venetian ambassador to Spain in 1523 and navigated the volatile diplomatic climate caused by the conflict between CharlesV of Spain and FrancisI of France. By the time Navagero arrived back in Venice in 1528, he had grown disillusioned with politics and wished to return to editing manuscripts and cultivating his prized gardens. Much to his dismay, he was appointed ambassador to France in January 1529. After traveling to meet with FrancisI, he fell ill and died that May. 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Chesterton (b.1874)Hubert Opperman (b.1904)Uro Drenovi (d.1944)More anniversaries: May 28May 29May 30ArchiveBy emailList of days of the yearAboutThe Australian white ibis (Threskiornis molucca) is a wading bird of the ibis family, Threskiornithidae. It is widespread across much of Australia, and has a predominantly white plumage with a bare, black head, long downcurved bill, and black legs. While it is closely related to the African sacred ibis, the Australian white ibis is a native Australian bird. Due to its increasing presence in the urban environment and its habit of rummaging in garbage, the species has acquired a variety of colloquial names such as "tip turkey" and "bin chicken". This Australian white ibis was photographed at the Royal Botanic Garden, Sydney.Photograph credit: Charles J. 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The defenders, with their personal belongings, are allowed to retire to Tyre. Captured prisoners are exchanged for those held by Richard Filangieri, commander of the Lombards, at Tyre. Cyprus is wholly restored under the rule of the 16-year-old King Henry I ("the Fat"). His vassals are rewarded, and loans that they have made are repaid.[1]August 20 Oath of Bereg: King Andrew II of Hungary vows to the Holy See that he will not employ Jews and Muslims to administer royal revenues, which causes diplomatic complaints and ecclesiastical censures.[2]Winter Reconquista: King Ferdinand III of Castile ("the Saint") conquers the cities of Trujillo and beda. The Castilian army besieges the city of Peniscola. Ferdinand forces Ibn Hud, ruler of the Taifa of Zaragoza, to sign a truce.[3]August Richard Marshal, 3rd Earl of Pembroke, signs an alliance with Llywelyn the Great, to join forces to revolt against King Henry III. Richard is faced by demands from royal bailiffs in September where the garrison of Usk Castle is forced to surrender.November Henry III's army camped at Grosmont Castle is attacked in the night, by a force of Welsh and English rebels. Several of Henry's supporters are captured, and the castle is returned to Hubert de Burgh, one of the rebels.May 29 MongolJin War: The Mongol army led by gedei Khan captures Kaifeng, capital of the Jin dynasty ('Great Jin'), after the 13-month Siege of Kaifeng (1232). The Mongols plunder the city, while Emperor Aizong of Jin flees for the town of Caizhou. Meanwhile, gedei departs and leaves the final conquest to his favoured general, Subutai.December Siege of Caizhou: The Mongols under gedei Khan besiege Caizhou and ally themselves with the Chinese Song dynasty to eliminate the Jin Dynasty.Gendt receives its city rights from Otto II ("the Lame"), count of Guelders (modern Netherlands).Pope Gregory IX establishes the Papal Inquisition, to regularize the persecution of heresy.June/July Ibn Manzur, Arab lexicographer and writer (d. 1312)August 15 Philip Benizi de Damiani, Italian religious leader (d. 1285)October Al-Nawawi, Syrian scholar, jurist and writer (d. 1277)Adelaide of Burgundy, duchess of Brabant (d. 1273)Choe Ui, Korean military leader and dictator (d. 1258)Ibn al-Quff, Ayyubid physician and surgeon (d. 1286)Sancho of Castile, archbishop of Toledo (d. 1261)January 6 Matilda of Chester, Countess of Huntingdon (or Maud), English noblewoman (b. 1171)January 18 Yang (or Gongsheng), Chinese empress (b. 1162)February 12 Ermengarde de Beaumont, queen of ScotlandMarch 1 Thomas I (or Tommaso), count of Savoy (b. 1178)May Simon of Joinville, French nobleman and knight (b. 1175)June Yolanda de Courtenay, queen consort of HungaryJuly 8 Konoe Motomichi, Japanese nobleman (b. 1160)July 26 Wilbrand of Oldenburg, prince-bishop of UtrechtJuly 27 Ferdinand (or Ferrand), count of Flanders (b. 1188)July 29 Savari de Maulon, French nobleman (b. 1181)July 30 Konrad von Marburg, German priest (b. 1180)October 8 Ugo Canefri, Italian health worker (b. 1148)October 22 Fujiwara no Shunshi, Japanese empress consort (b. 1209)November 22 Helena, duchess of Brunswick-LneburgNovember 27 Shi Miyuan, Chinese politician (b. 1164)Ibn al-Athir, Seljuk historian and biographer (b. 1160)Bertran de Born lo Filhs, French troubadour (b. 1179)Bohemond IV ("the One-Eyed"), prince of Antioch (b. 1175)Gkbri ("Blue-Wolf"), Ayyubid general and ruler (b. 1154)Guilln Prez de Guzmn, Spanish nobleman (b. 1180)John Apokaukos, Byzantine bishop and theologianMathilde of Angoulme, French noblewoman (b. 1181)Sayf al-Din al-Amidi, Ayyubid scholar and jurist (b. 1156)William Comyn, Scoto-Norman nobleman (b. 1163)^ Steven Runciman (1952). 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In the history of European culture, this period is considered part of the High Middle Ages and overlaps with what is often called the "'Golden Age' of the Cistercians". The Golden Age of Islam experienced significant development, particularly in Islamic Spain.In Song dynasty China, an invasion by Jurchens caused a political schism of north and south. The Khmer Empire of Cambodia flourished during this century, while the Fatimids of Egypt were overtaken by the Ayyubid dynasty. Following the expansions of the Ghaznavids and Ghurid Empire, the Muslim conquests in the Indian subcontinent took place at the end of the century.The Ghurid Empire converted to Islam from Buddhism.1101: In July, the Treaty of Alton is signed between Henry I of England and his older brother Robert, Duke of Normandy in which Robert agrees to recognize Henry as king of England in exchange for a yearly stipend and other concessions. The agreement temporarily ends a crisis in the succession of the Anglo-Norman kings.11011103: David the Builder takes over Kakheti and Hereti (now parts of Georgia).1102: King Coloman unites Hungary and Croatia under the Hungarian Crown.1102: Muslims conquer Seoro de Valencia.11031104: A church council is convened by King David the Builder in Urbnisi to reorganize the Georgian Orthodox Church.1104: In the Battle of Ertsukhi, King David the Builder defeats an army of Seljuks.1104: King Jayawarsa of Kadiri (on Java) ascends to the throne.[citation needed]1106: Battle of Tinchebray.11071111: Sigurd I of Norway becomes the first Norwegian king to embark on a crusade to the Holy Land. He fights in Lisbon and on various Mediterranean isles and helps the King of Jerusalem to take Sidon from the Muslims.1108: By the Treaty of Devol, signed in September, Bohemond I of Antioch has to submit to the Byzantine Empire, becoming the vassal of Alexius I.1109: On June 10, Bertrand of Toulouse captures the County of Tripoli (northern Lebanon/western Syria).1109: In the Battle of Nako, Boleslaus III Wrymouth defeats the Pomeranians and re-establishes Polish access to the sea.1109: On August 24, in the Battle of Hundsfeld, Boleslaus III Wrymouth defeats Emperor Henry V of Germany and stops German expansion eastward.1111: On April 14, during Henry V's first expedition to Rome, he is crowned Holy Roman Emperor.1113: Paramavishnulok is crowned as King Suryavarman II in Cambodia. He expands the Khmer Empire and builds Angkor Wat during the first half of the century. He establishes diplomatic relations with China.1115: The Georgian army occupies Rustavi in the war with the Muslims.1115: In Java, King Kamesvara of Kadiri ascends to the throne. Janggala ceases to exist and comes under Kadiri domination, highly possible under royal marriage. During his reign, Mpu Dharmaja writes Kakawin Smaradahana, a eulogy for the king which become the inspiration for the Panji cycle tales, which spread across Southeast Asia.[1]1116: The Byzantine army defeats the Turks at Philomelion.1116: Death of doa Jimena Daz, governor of Valencia from 1099 to 1102.c. 1119: The Knights Templar are founded to protect Christian pilgrims in Jerusalem.A Black and White Photo of the 12th century Cuenca Cathedral (built from 1182 to 1270) in Cuenca, Spain1120: On January 16, the Council of Nablus, a council of ecclesiastic and secular lords in the crusader Kingdom of Jerusalem, establishes the first written laws for the kingdom.1120: On November 25, William Adelin, the only legitimate son of King Henry I of England, drowns in the White Ship Disaster, leading to a succession crisis which will bring down the Norman monarchy of England.1121: On August 12, in the Battle of Didgori, the greatest military victory in Georgian history, King David the Builder with 45,000 Georgians, 15,000 Kipchak auxiliaries, 500 Alan mercenaries and 100 French Crusaders defeats a much larger Seljuk-led Muslim coalition army.1121: On December 25, St. Norbert and 29 companions make their solemn vows in Premontre, France, establishing the Premonstratensian Order.1122: The Battle of Beroia (Modern-day Stara Zagora, Bulgaria) results in the disappearance of the Pechenegs Turkish tribe as an independent force.1122: On September 23, the Concordat of Worms (Pactum Calixtinum) is drawn up between Emperor Henry V and Pope Calixtus II bringing an end to the first phase of the power struggle between the papacy and the Holy Roman Empire.1122: King David the Builder captures Tbilisi and declares it the capital city of Georgia, ending 400 years of Arab rule.1123: The Jurchen dynasty of China forces Koryo (now Korea) to recognize their suzerainty.1124: In April or May, David I is crowned King of the Scots.1125: On June 11, in the Battle of Azaz, the Crusader states, led by King Baldwin II of Jerusalem, defeat the Seljuk Turks.1125: In November, the Jurchens of the Jin dynasty declare war on the Song dynasty, beginning the JinSong wars.1125: Lothair of Supplinburg, duke of Saxony, is elected Holy Roman Emperor instead of the nearest heir, Frederick of Swabia, beginning the great struggle between Guelphs and Ghibellines.1127: The Northern Song dynasty loses power over northern China to the Jin dynasty.1128: On June 24, the Kingdom of Portugal gains independence from the Kingdom of Len at the Battle of So Mamede; (recognised by Len in 1143).The temple complex of Angkor Wat, built during the reign of Suryavarman II in Cambodia of the Khmer Era.11301180: 50-year drought in what is now the American Southwest.11301138: Papal schism, Pope Innocent II vs. Antipope Anacletus II.1130: On March 26, Sigurd I of Norway dies. A golden era of 95 years comes to an end for Norway as civil wars between the members of Harald Fairhair's family line rage for the remainder of the century.1130: On Christmas Day, Roger II is crowned King of Sicily, the royal title being bestowed on him by Antipope Anacletus II.1132: The Southern Song dynasty establishes China's first permanent standing navy, although China had a long naval history prior. The main admiral's office is at the port of Dinghai.11321183: the Chinese navy increases from a mere 3,000 to 52,000 marine soldiers stationed in 20 different squadrons. During this time, hundreds of treadmill-operated paddle wheel craft are assembled for the navy to fight the Jin dynasty in the north.1135: King Jayabaya of Kadiri ascends to the throne.[2]11351154: The Anarchy takes place, during a period of civil war in England.1136: Suger begins rebuilding the abbey church at St Denis north of Paris, which is regarded as the first major Gothic building.1137: On July 22, the future King Louis VII of France marries Eleanor, the Duchess of Aquitaine.1138: On October 11, the 1138 Aleppo earthquake devastates much of northern Syria.1139: in April, the Second Lateran Council ends the papal schism.1139: On July 5, in the Treaty of Mignano, Pope Innocent II confirms Roger II as King of Sicily, Duke of Apulia, and Prince of Capua and invests him with his titles.1139: On July 25, the Portuguese defeat the Almoravids led by Ali ibn Yusuf in the Battle of Ourique; Prince Afonso Henriques is acclaimed King of Portugal by his soldiers.Averroes in a 14th-century painting by Andrea di Bonaiuto11401150: Collapse of the Ancestral Puebloan culture at Chaco Canyon (modern-day New Mexico).1141: The Treaty of Shaoxing ends the conflict between the Jin dynasty and Southern Song dynasty, legally establishing the boundaries of the two countries and forcing the Song dynasty to renounce all claims to its former territories north of the Huai River. The treaty reduces the Southern Song into a quasi-tributary state of the Jurchen Jin dynasty.1143: Manuel I Komnenos is crowned as Byzantine emperor after the death of John II Komnenos.1143: Afonso Henriques is proclaimed King of Portugal by the cortes.1143: The Treaty of Zamora recognizes Portuguese independence from the Kingdom of Len. Portugal also recognizes the suzerainty of the pope.1144: On December 24, Edessa falls to the Atabeg Zengi.11451148: The Second Crusade is launched in response to the fall of the County of Edessa.1147: On October 25, the four-month-long Siege of Lisbon successfully brings the city under definitive Portuguese control, expelling the Moorish overlords.1147: A new Berber dynasty, the Almohads, led by Emir Abd al-Mu'min, takes North Africa from the Almoravides and soon invades the Iberian Peninsula. The Almohads began as a religious movement to rid Islam of impurities.1147: The Wendish Crusade against the Polabian Slavs (or "Wends") in what is now northern and eastern Germany.1150: Ramon Berenguer IV, Count of Barcelona marries Petronilla, the Queen of Aragon.1151: The Treaty of Tudiln is signed by Alfonso VII of Len and Raymond Berengar IV, Count of Barcelona, recognizing the Aragonese conquests south of the Jcar and the right to expand in and annex the Kingdom of Murcia.1153: The Treaty of Wallingford, ends the civil war between Empress Matilda and her cousin King Stephen of England fought over the English crown. Stephen acknowledges Matilda's son Henry of Anjou as heir.1153: The First Treaty of Constance is signed between Emperor Frederick I and Pope Eugene III, by the terms of which, the emperor is to prevent any action by Manuel I Comnenus to reestablish the Byzantine Empire on Italian soil and to assist the pope against his enemies in revolt in Rome.1154: the Moroccan-born Muslim geographer Muhammad al-Idrisi publishes his Geography.1154: On December 27, Henry II is crowned King of England at Westminster Abbey.1155: Pope Adrian IV grants overlordship of Ireland to Henry II of England in the bull Laudabiliter.1156: On June 18, the Treaty of Benevento is entered into by Pope Adrian IV and the Norman Kingdom of Sicily. After years of turbulent relations, the popes finally settles down to peace with the Hauteville kings. The kingship of William I is recognized over all Sicily, Apulia, Calabria, Campania, and Capua. The tribute to the pope of 600 schifati agreed upon by Roger II in 1139 at Mignano is affirmed and another 400 shift is added for the new lands.1158: The Treaty of Sahagn ends the war between Castile and Len.The Liuhe Pagoda of Hangzhou, China, 11651161: the Song dynasty Chinese navy, employing gunpowder bombs launched from trebuchets, defeats the enormous Jin dynasty navy in the East China Sea in the Battle of Tangdao and on the Yangtze River in the Battle of Caishi.1161: Kilij Arslan II, Sultan of Rum, makes peace with the Byzantine Empire, recognizing the emperor's primacy.1161: In the siege of Ani, troops from the Kingdom of Georgia take control over the city, only to have it sold for the second time to the Shaddadids, a Kurdish dynasty.1162: Genghis Khan, the founder of the Mongol Empire, is born as Temjin in present-day Mongolia.1163: The Norwegian Law of Succession takes effect.11651182: Tensions and disputes between the Pagan Empire and the Kingdom of Polonnaruwa causes the Sinhalese under Parakramabahu the Great to raid Burma.1168: King Valdemar I of Denmark conquers Arkona on the Island of Rgen, the strongest pagan fortress and temple in northern Europe.1169: Political disputes within the Pandya Empire sparks the decade-long Pandyan Civil War.1169: On May 1, the Norman invasion of Ireland begins. Richard fitzGilbert de Clare ('Strongbow') allies with the