

All About Kandinsky

Wassily Kandinsky

Wassily Kandinsky was
a Russian painter.
Many people think he was
the first abstract artist.



Abstract Painting
by Wassily Kandinsky

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(1866 - 1944)

Russian

Wassily Kandinsky was born in Russia, in 1866. When he grew up, he worked as a teacher at a university but it didn't make him happy.

When he was 30, he left his job and went to art school. He found art school easy and was very good at his studies.

Kandinsky thought a lot about what colours mean and how they make people feel. He believed that colours had a soul.



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He was the first painter to stop painting pictures of things and instead paint just using colours and shapes. He believed that this let him paint honestly about his feelings.

Often Kandinsky would listen to music while he painted and try to paint what he heard.

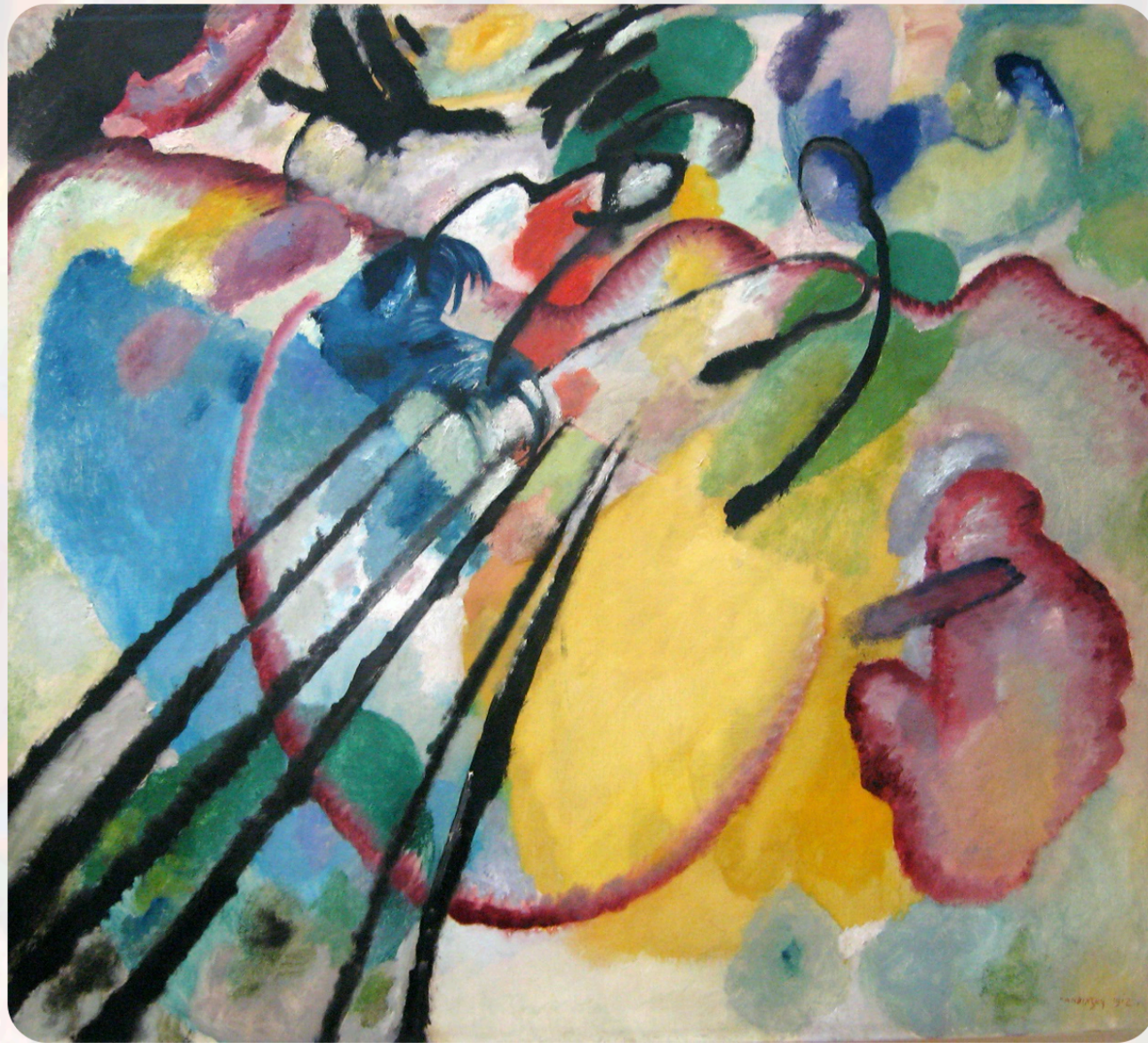
All the other painters we have found out about learned a lot from Kandinsky's ideas.



Let's have a look at some of
his art work



Red Spot II (1921)
by Wassily Kandinsky



Improvisation 26 (Rowing) (1912)
by Wassily Kandinsky



Colour Studies: Squares with Concentric Circles
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Looking at Abstract Art: Colour Studies: Squares with Concentric Circles (1913)



What do you see when you look
at this painting?

How has the painting been made?

What kind of colours does Kandinsky
use?

How would you describe these colours?

What shapes can you see?

What kind of lines can you see?

How do you think Kandinsky was
feeling when he painted this?

How does the painting make you feel?

Do you like it? Why?

Have a go at recreating Kandinsky's Colour Studies Painting.



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- You can use paints, coloured pens, pencils, collage or anything else you have at home to recreate this famous piece of art.