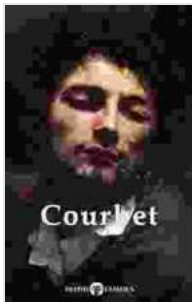


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Gustave Courbet (1819-1877) was a French painter who is considered one of the greatest masters of the Realist movement. His paintings are known for their raw beauty, their honest depiction of everyday life, and their social commentary. Courbet was a prolific artist, producing over 1,500 paintings during his lifetime. Many of his most famous works, including "The Stone Breakers" (1849) and "The Burial at Ornans" (1849-50), are now housed in major museums around the world.



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## Early Life and Training

Gustave Courbet was born in Ornans, France, on June 10, 1819. His father was a wealthy farmer, and Courbet enjoyed a comfortable childhood. He showed an early interest in art, and he began studying painting at the age of 15. In 1839, Courbet moved to Paris to study at the Académie des Beaux-Arts. He quickly became disillusioned with the academy's emphasis

on classical subjects and idealized forms. Instead, Courbet preferred to paint scenes from everyday life, often depicting the struggles of the working class.

## **The Barbizon School**

In 1841, Courbet met the painter Jean-François Millet. Millet was a member of the Barbizon School, a group of artists who were dedicated to painting landscapes en plein air. Courbet was impressed by Millet's work, and he began to adopt some of the Barbizon School's techniques. He began to paint outdoors, and he started to use a more realistic and naturalistic style.

## **Courbet's Realism**

Courbet's realism was a radical departure from the prevailing artistic styles of his time. In an era when artists were expected to paint idealized scenes from history or mythology, Courbet chose to depict the everyday lives of ordinary people. He painted landscapes, portraits, and scenes of rural life. His paintings were often raw and unvarnished, but they were also full of beauty and humanity.

## **Social Commentary**

Courbet's paintings often carried a social message. He was a strong supporter of the working class, and he used his art to criticize the social and economic injustices of his time. His painting "The Stone Breakers" (1849) depicts two laborers breaking stones on a road. The painting is a powerful indictment of the harsh conditions faced by the working class. Courbet's other paintings also addressed social issues, such as poverty, prostitution, and the plight of the peasantry.

## **Legacy**

Gustave Courbet died in La Tour-de-Peilz, Switzerland, on December 31, 1877. He was 58 years old. Courbet is considered one of the greatest painters of the 19th century. His work has had a profound influence on subsequent generations of artists, including the Impressionists and the Post-Impressionists. Courbet's paintings are now housed in major museums around the world, and they continue to be admired for their beauty, their honesty, and their social commentary.

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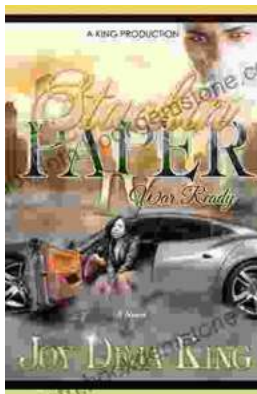
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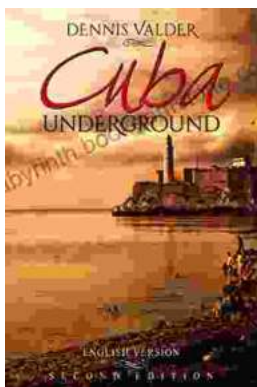
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