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• Jackson Pollock was born on January 28, 1912.

• He was born in Cody, Wyoming.

 Jackson Pollock was raised by LeRoy Pollock and Stella May McClure. He was also the youngest of his five brothers.

- LeRoy Pollock was a farmer and a government land surveyor.

- Stella M. McClure had artistic ambitions, but unfortunately were never

Childhood Years

 Basically, an army brat without having military relatives Jackson Pollock and he family moved all throughout the Western States of the U.S, before deciding to settle in Arizona and California.

• Jackson Pollock's father abandoned him and his family; therefore, Jackson's eldest brother became a role model for little Jackson.



 Jackson pollock's first recorded school that he to for Los Angeles Manual Arts High School.

 In his early years, Pollock went to The Art Students League of New York to study under his brother, Charles, teacher.

Adult - Early Years

When Jackson Pollock turned 18 in the year of 1930 it was time for him to move out of the house, so he decide to move to New York.

 The reason Pollock moved to N.Y. was to live with his eldest brother Charles. Pollock's decision to move helped pave the way for a career in art.



Early Years

• Unknowingly Pollock surrounded himself with other artist once he moved to N.Y..

- J.P surrounded himself with regionalist painter, Thomas Hart Benton, and his brother Charles amongst other people.

• J. Pollock was likely influenced by Pablo Picasso's pieces at the Museum of Modern Art, and because of Picasso's unlimited boundaries in his art it motivated Pollock. He was also influenced by Salvador Dali and El Greco.



- Between the years of 1941 and 1942, Jackson Pollock met his soon to be wife, Lee Krasner, at a party. They later married in October of 1945.
 - Lee Krasner was born on October 27, 1908 in Brooklyn, N.Y. She was also a Jewish established painter whose painting style was contemporary.

• Sadly, Lee Krasner and Jackson Pollock had no children.

First Works of Art

Jackson Pollock was known for abstract art, particularly his 'drip period'. At Pollock's first show he did not get any purchases. One of his first work art he was known for was No.8



<u>Number 8</u> Jackson Pollock Style

 Jackson pollock was known for the abstract expressionism art movement.



<u>Greyed Rainbow</u> Jackson Pollock

• You could say that Pollock's focus was that art should come from the unconsciousness of yourself.

<u>Untitled,</u> Jackson Pollock



More About Jackson Pollock's Style

• Abstract expressionism is the art movement when artist would create sponetity in their pieces. Abstract expressionist would also use abstract art to further evoke emotions in their art.

- Abstract style of art was most popular in the 1940s and 1950s in New York.
- famous artists that also participated in this movement were: Mark Rothko and Willem de Kooning.



No. 5 is Jackson Pollock's most famous artwork.



The location of No.5 is currently unknown which adds to the desire of wanting to see this

More about famous works

 Jackson Pollock's number 5 painting was made in 1948; though the month is missing.

No.5 is supported by fiberboard with dimensions of 8ft by 4ft.

 Pollock used oil paints in this painting, which was apart of the abstract expressionist movement.

Critique

• J. Pollock's No.5 had great reviews like writer Lawrence Alloway criticism, "The paint, through exceptional control, was not applied by touch...formed by the fall and flow of liquid paint in the grip of gravity..." and art historian Claude Cernuschi, "manipulating the behavior of pigment under the law of gravity..."

My Critique

 In my opinion, No. 5 was of Jackson Pollock's many great paintings, but this one really demonstrated how different abstract art is. Also how different factors can affect a piece.



Black and White (Number 6)





Portrait and a Dream



All works by Jackson Pollock

Importance

 Jackson Pollock was important in art history, because of his part in the abstract expressionist movement.

 After extensive research, Jackson Pollock has not influenced any artist as of yet.

Other Facts About Jackson Pollock



- As you've seen on the first slide Pollock's first name is Paul.
- Because Pollock didn't want people to look for anything in his art he stopped naming it.
- Pollock had alcoholism problem and by the year of 1938 was institutionalized because of a nervous breakdown.
- Jackson Pollock's first independent show was at the Art of This Century Gallery in 1943.
- Jackson Pollock was also known as 'Jack the Dripper'.

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