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Sloan De Forest (1870-1948) was a pioneering American artist and inventor. He was a major figure in the early 20th century art world, and his work spanned a wide range of disciplines, including painting, sculpture, photography, film, and kinetic art.

De Forest was born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1870. He studied art at the Art Institute of Chicago and the Académie Julian in Paris. In the early 1900s, he traveled to Europe, where he was influenced by the work of the European avant-garde.

De Forest returned to the United States in 1905 and settled in New York City. He quickly became involved in the city's vibrant art scene. He was a member of the Ashcan School, a group of artists who depicted the everyday life of New York City's working class. He also exhibited his work at the Armory Show of 1913, a landmark exhibition that introduced European modernism to the American public.

De Forest's Art

De Forest's art was characterized by its experimentation and its use of new technologies. He was one of the first artists to use photography and film in his work. He also pioneered the use of kinetic art, creating sculptures that moved and changed over time.

De Forest's paintings were often abstract and geometric. He was particularly interested in the play of light and shadow. His sculptures were often made of metal and glass, and they often incorporated moving parts.

De Forest's work was influential in the development of modern art in the United States. He was one of the first American artists to embrace abstraction and to experiment with new technologies.

De Forest's Inventions

In addition to his art, De Forest was also a prolific inventor. He patented over 100 inventions, including a number of important advances in the field of photography.

One of De Forest's most important inventions was the Phantoscope, a device that allowed for the projection of moving images. The Phantoscope was a precursor to the modern movie projector.

De Forest also invented a number of other important devices, including a camera that could take panoramic photographs, a device for developing and printing photographs, and a system for transmitting images over long distances.

De Forest's Legacy

Sloan De Forest was a major figure in the early 20th century art world. His work was influential in the development of modern art in the United States, and his inventions played a major role in the development of photography and film.

De Forest's work has been exhibited in museums and galleries around the world. He is represented in the collections of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Modern Art, and the Whitney Museum of American Art.

De Forest's legacy continues to inspire artists and inventors today. He was a pioneer who pushed the boundaries of art and technology.

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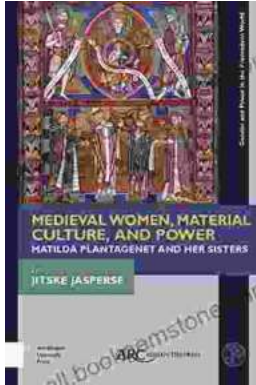


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