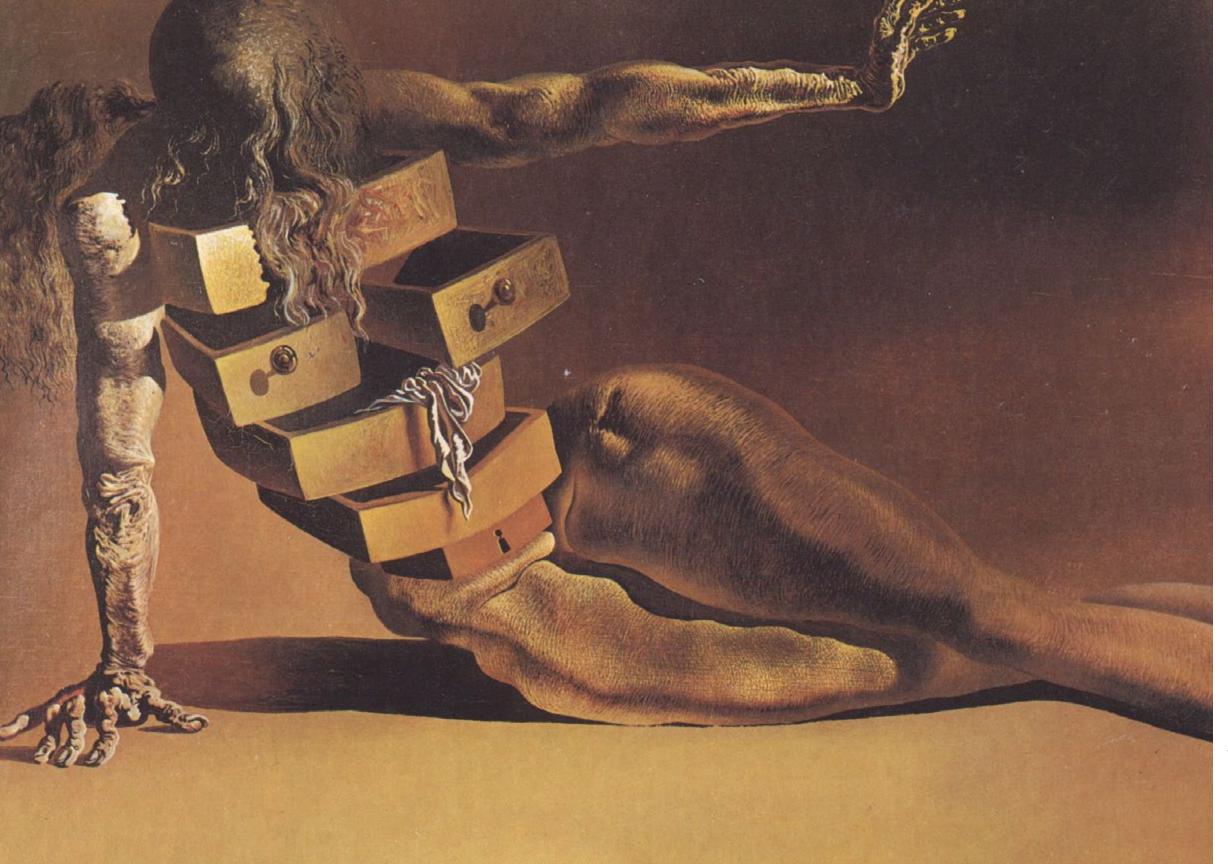




The famous Spanish surrealist painter, Salvador Dali had artistic repertoire that included sculpture, painting, photography, multimedia work, and collaborations with other artists, most notably independent surrealist films. Dali soon became a leader of the Surrealist Movement. His painting, The Persistance of Memory, with the soft or melting watches is still one of the best-known surrealist works.

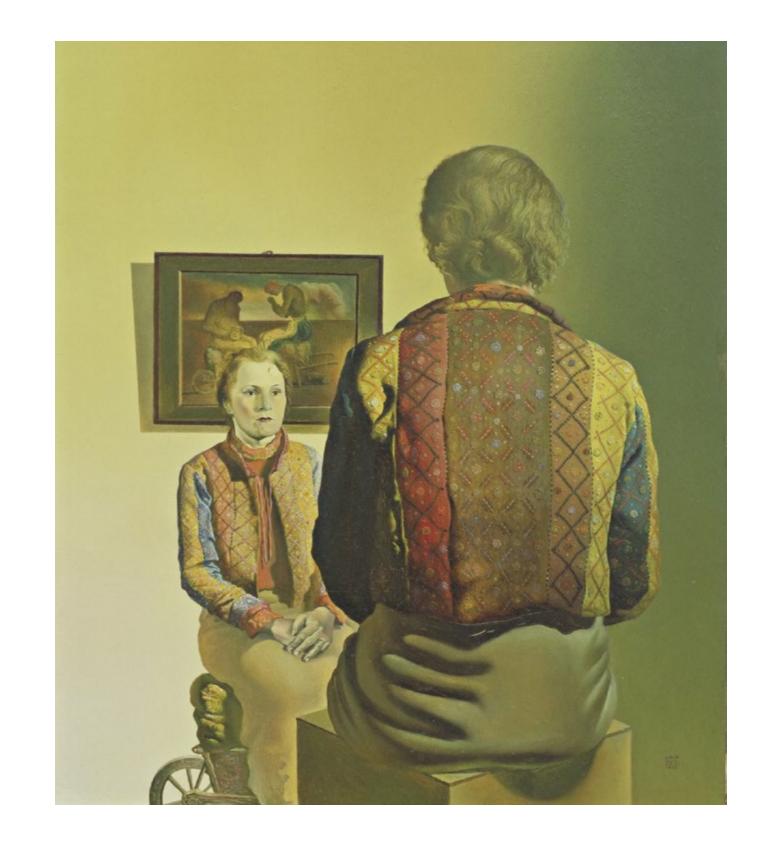




Dali was deeply influenced by the work of Sigmund Freud, contending "The only difference between immortal Greece and contemporary times is Sigmund Freud, who discovered that the human body, purely platonic in the Greek epoch, is nowadays full of secret drawers that only psychoanalysis is capable to open."

The Anthropomorphic Cabinet y Salvador Dali- 1936 In The Angelus of Gala, behind Gala, hangs a version of The Angelas, the painting by Millet that so obsessed Dali; and the two people in the room apparently front-Gala and back-Gala - are juxtaposed in roughly the same fashion as the peasants in the picture. But on this occasion Dali has outrageously distorted Millet's composition, putting the peasants into a wheelbarrow (presumably as a form of erotic union) and altering the woman's attitude to increase the resemblance to a praying mantis that Dali claimed to find in the original; presumably she is about to copulate with the man and then to devour him.

> Portrait of Gala by Salvador Dali- 1935





Time is the theme here, from the melting watches to the decay implied by the swarming ants. The monstrous fleshy creature draped across the paintings center is an approximation of Dalís own face in profile.

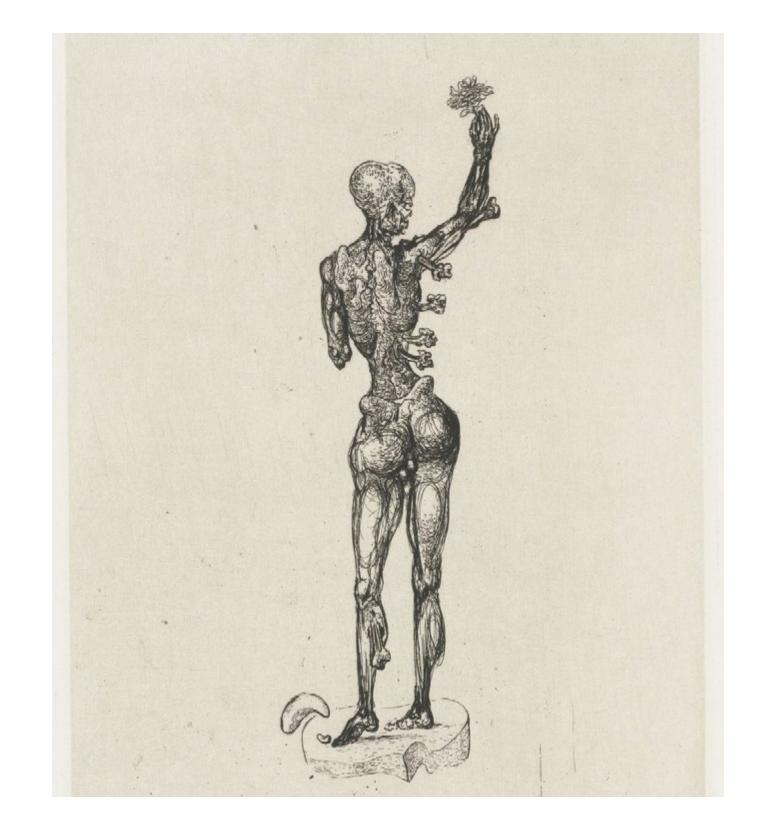
The Persistence of Memory by Salvador Dali- 1931

Salvador Dalí was officially allied with Surrealism from 1929 to 1941, and even afterward his work continued to reflect the influence of Surrealist thought and methodology. His flamboyance, flair for drama and self-promotion, and hyperactive imagination reinvigorated the movement and its public popularity.

> Portrait Of My First Cousin by Salvador Dali- 1923

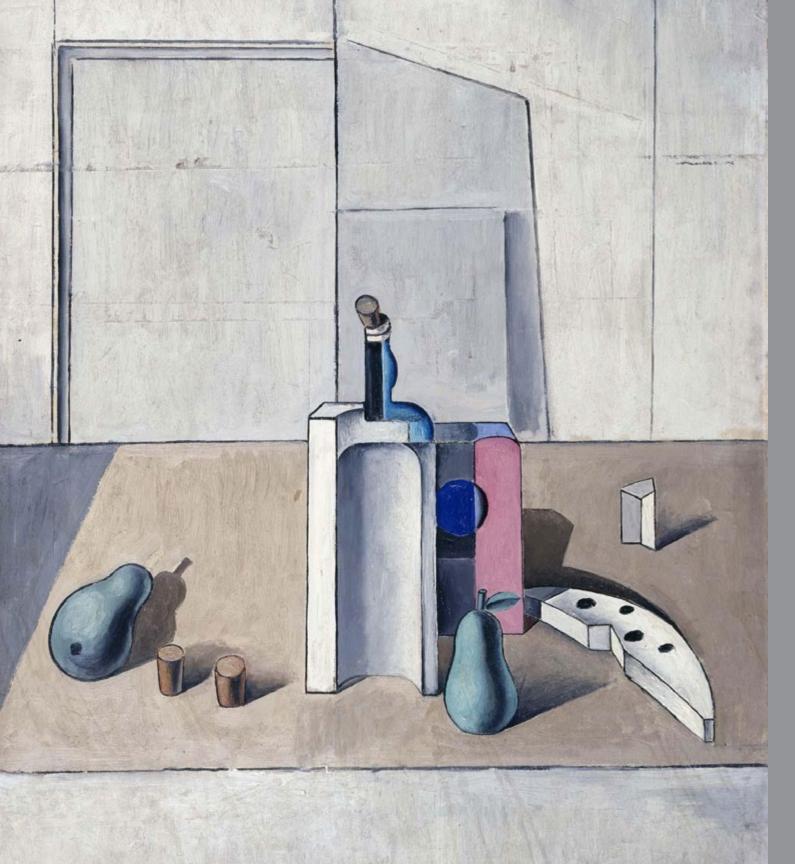








Debris of an Automobile Giving Birth to a Blind Horse Biting a Telephone by Salvador Dali- 1938



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