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## Rembrandt And 17th Century Holland : The Dutch Nation And Its Painters



## Synopsis

Rembrandt van Rihn defines an entire era of remarkable painting both for his innovation in interpretation and his adventurous technique. His many portraits, self-portraits, landscapes, and historical pieces demonstrate his singular talent as a painter and engraver, and reveal much about the man himself. This book looks at Rembrandt's life and art during a great period of culture and enlightenment that produced fellow artists Hals and Vermeer, and the philosopher Spinoza. Rembrandt lived during a "Golden Age" in seventeenth-century Holland. Travel back in time and discover the fascinating history of the period and the masterworks that have awed generations.

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Another fine entry in the Masters of Art series that is coming to represent the very best in art books for young people. Pescio provides a panoramic view of 17th-century Holland as seen through the eyes of artists such as Rembrandt, Vermeer, and Frans Hals, as they developed their original styles of painting for the prosperous merchants of the great trading nation. Rembrandt is the focal point of this comprehensive volume, from his beginnings as a renegade young artist defying the guild system to his popularity as a painter of individual and group portraits, "history paintings," and landscapes. Every page is filled with good quality, full-color reproductions of famous paintings along with lucid analysis. Sergio offers scintillating counterpoints to the artists' stories with his meticulous illustrations of Holland's distinctive architecture, intricate canal system, and artists' studios during this glorious period of history. The book's great strength is its breadth, thoroughly examining the
cultural, political, and religious forces at work, and its inclusion of artists who influenced and were influenced by Rembrandt. (maps, diagrams, chronology, list of works and locations, index) (Biography. 8+) -- Copyright Ã Â@1996, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved.

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