

# Go to see the world!

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In the afternoon, I rewatched "Before Sunrise" @ IFC, NYC.

In the evening, I boarded the plane to Vienna...

Throughout the entire movie, I was completely absorbed, afraid to miss even a bit of their dialogue or a poignant moment. It's a masterpiece that, no matter how many times you watch it, still delivers a sensory impact and enjoyment — a truly blissful experience!

As for the hotel in Vienna, a super spacious suite!

Embarking on a life of working from Vienna, la la la~



Belvedere Palace — a cliché name, leading me to believe it might be a smaller and less impressive version of the Palace of Versailles, nothing extraordinary.

Unexpectedly, the collection in the Belvedere Palace is truly outstanding, introducing me to the works of Klimt and Schiller simultaneously!

**Egon Schiele** — This is not obscene, it's art!

**Even though I don't quite understand the earthy color and the seemingly random background, those two individuals, so dynamic in the face of love and life, have deeply moved me...**

## Death and the Maiden



The earthy and bewitching colors, the girl's eyes filled with reluctance, and the tenderness in the eyes of the Grim Reaper, the girl's kneeling posture seems to be slipping from the Grim Reaper's hands.

True lovers who love to the extreme, their embrace is so powerful, intense emotions reaching an ultimate in the seamless hug. Yet, this painting portrays more of a farewell, a desire to embrace tightly but still unable to resist the inevitable tragedy of separation.

The panic in the girl's eyes, the tearful glint in the Grim Reaper's eyes, in the face of destiny, they are equally helpless.



## The Embrace

In my opinion, "Embrace" is more powerful than "Kiss" in expressing the intimacy and dependence between lovers: I encircle you with my hands, tightly holding you; you use your strong arms to embrace me tightly, conveying love through the power of your arms.

In such a moment, I always feel the desire to freeze time and let it linger in this moment of emotion. This is the artist's brilliant touch, using the brush to immortalize those poignant moments into eternity!

# Friedensreich Hundertwasser

**There are truly individuals who live their lives with such childlike wonder.**

**They lead unconventional yet unique lives, appearing to be financially modest but possessing an incredibly rich richness in essence.**



When I first arrived at Hundertwasser House, I was immediately captivated by the mosaic-like pillars shimmering with light.

Suddenly, it felt like I was transported back to Barcelona — reminding me of Gaudi's architecture.





I couldn't help but smile—under the brilliant sunshine, I could directly feel the pure childlike heart of the creator.

The fairytale-like colors, vibrant and diverse, made me realize the immense power colors can have.

Combined with gentle curves and imaginative design, it immediately conveyed a sense of carefree and joyful vitality.



Entering a nearby store, it was also decorated like a fairytale shop: hanging inside were images of the Four Seasons of Hundertwasser House, shimmering under the lights.



## Museum Hundertwasser

The museum itself is also a creation of Hundertwasser, displaying a large collection of his works and featuring a documentary. Just like his paintings reflect, the artist is indeed a pure child, leading a simple life, relying on basic material needs. Having lived on a ship for a long time, he has a special fondness for water, considering it the source of life.

# 《The way to you》



As individuals bound by the constraints of this world's norms, we might find it challenging to fully grasp what these artworks are expressing. However, sometimes, when paired with imaginative titles, we can catch a glimpse of the artist's original intent.

For example: "The Way to You"

The passionate pursuit between people is vividly portrayed through his own imaginative ideas.

## 《How do you do?》



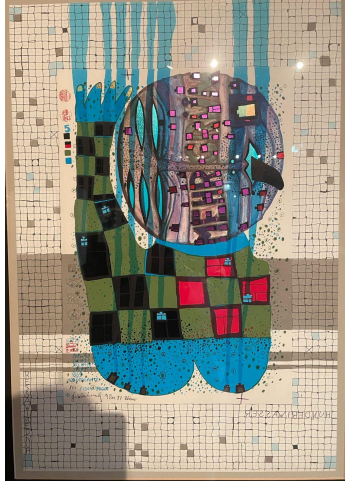
He strongly dislikes straight lines, believing that "straight is godness" as they lack creativity.

He greatly favors various curves, as if life is growing and blossoming!

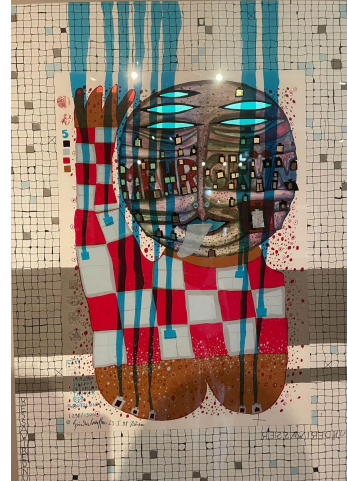
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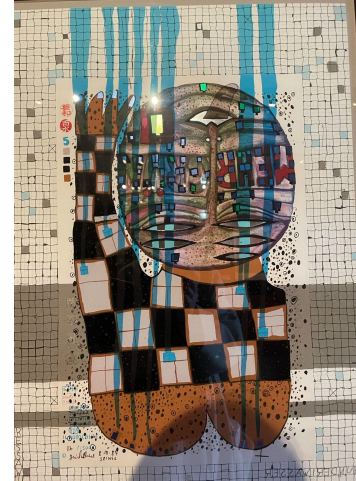
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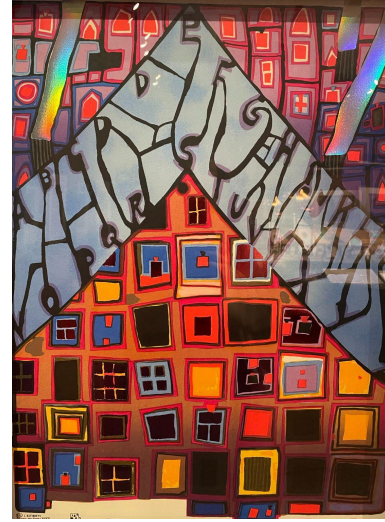
Thinker



Dreamer



Compared to normal thinkers, the posture of a dreamer is inverted, like someone dreaming whimsically, hahahaha!



Being in a room filled with his artwork, the mood brightens involuntarily. There's a natural curiosity about his paintings, a desire to delve into the artist's thoughts. It's like releasing one's imagination from the constraints of conventional rules, wandering together with the painter in the boundless space of imagination.

Perhaps, deep down, we all yearn to become children. Just like Picasso's famous quote, "Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once we grow up!"



Hundertwasser's architecture is also breathtaking.

The flowing curves completely deviate from the conventional expectations of house construction, offering a unique blend of childlike wonder and fascination.

“A church should be beautiful,  
one should like to go inside,  
should feel at home inside.

One should find in it a bridge to god, to nature, to creation.”





The architecture, while not as vibrant in color as his paintings, exudes a fairytale ambiance. Looking at the castles he designed, one can't help but imagine various fairytale characters living in such enchanting places.

As an architect, being able to break free from traditional constraints and design houses that are imaginative yet meet the basic needs of architecture, weaving his own fairytales from paper to reality, is truly remarkable.

The imagination that cannot be carried in reality, he expresses with his paintbrush!





This completely overlooked museum turned into an unexpected treasure!

Hahaha, the mood is elevated, and I can't help but walk around with a big smile!

# Music

**For Vienna, music is omnipresent...**

**But I still have a bit of regret for not catching a soul-stirring auditory feast...**

**However, who says regrets are always bad?**



Czech Symphony

Mahler No.6

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Vienna Philharmonic

Bach "St. Matthew Passion"

Looking forward to the "St. Matthew Passion" for a long time, but unfortunately, with the German lyrics, listening for three hours without understanding.

I know, they sang very well 😂



Vienna Music Society looks stunning. However, the flashy costumes of the performers somewhat stole the spotlight and the performance failed to move me.

During the intermission, a German couple next to me asked how I felt. I timidly shared my honest thoughts, and surprisingly, we instantly agreed.

Honesty is always the way to go, haha!

# Parsifal

**Why does religious belief sometimes fail to cultivate a more compassionate heart and instead leading to self-destructive conflicts?**



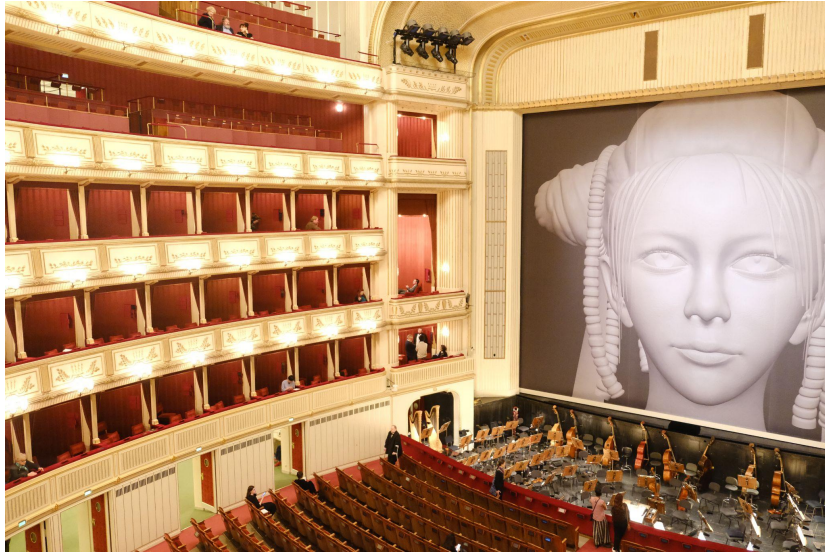
There is a video projection at the top.  
I wonder if they specifically filmed a black  
and white film for this opera.

The light shining on Parsifal in the empty church,  
truly a testament to film aesthetics.

The close-up shots of the crowd at the beginning,  
depicting a portrayal of "all beings are ants."







"Man is God" —

You should take responsibility for your own life.



"The Chosen One" —

To wear the crown, one must bear its weight.

But what if this crown is chosen by others?

What if I have no choice in the matter?

Must I sacrifice my individual self for the greater good when the power of life and death is handed over to me without any active awareness on my part?

# Vinyl Store

**These artistic individuals, they truly embody art throughout their lives...**



How could I miss the vinyl shop featured in “Before Sunrise”?!! Hope to buy a vinyl of "Come here", but unfortunately, it was already sold out due to its popularity.

The shop owner was very nice, pricing was super reasonable, and in the end, I got a postcard as a gift, along with another classical music record.

Amid the fervor of enthusiastic film fans checking in, the shop still stayed true to its original spirit.

The old bookshop next door, run by an elderly gentleman, had various postcards made from old photographs, all of which were vintage items. Watching the old man quietly organize various documents there, these century-old shops are also a very unique sight in Vienna!

When I asked about his old partner, fortunately, it turned out to be a cute story. His companion, who co-operated with him in running the bookstore, was at home sleeping. Haha!



# Cafes

**"If I'm not in a café, I'm on my way to one."**

# Luxurious Style



# Industrial Style





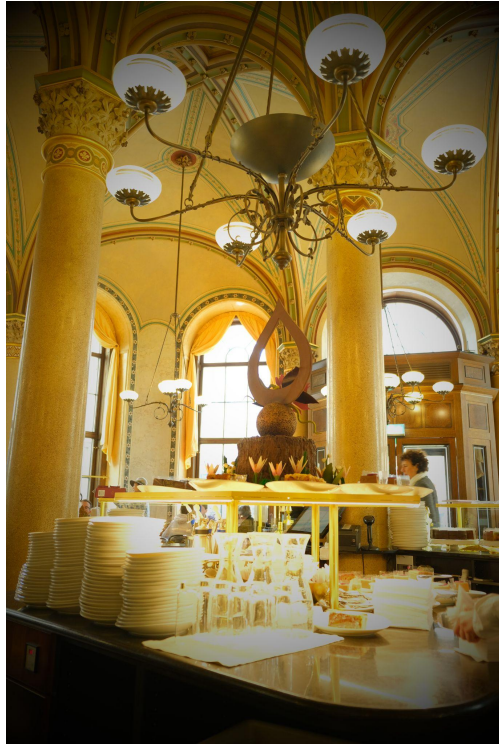
# Homey Style





## Chic Style





## Instagram Style





# Fairytale Town Style



Why do I go to so many coffee shops?

Because I'm diligently working!

Following the "work from Vienna" plan, haha!

# Astonishing Buildings

To show some rarely good shots taken with my new camera, haha!

The opera house illuminated by night lights, shining brightly among the various buildings in Vienna!





A pool of water in front,  
captures the reflection of the church.

However, being a bit clumsy,  
I couldn't capture the complete reflection.

Regrets are just a part of life, haha!





Vienna Music Society at dusk, so beautiful ...



Kunsthistorisches Museum Wien

One castle  
Hahahaha



# Wandering

**I truly love these cities filled with artistic atmosphere and vibrant energy—bringing a sense of wanting to grow upward and bloom freely!!**

The garden in the city is like a miniature Central Park.

With blossoms and warm spring colors all around, walking through it, capturing beautiful photos, and observing passersby,

Spring is coming in Vienna!





If you encounter a like-minded kindred spirit,  
joy comes more from inspired conversations,  
much like the ones in "Before Sunrise"!





When alone, paying more attention to the scenery, passersby, and the colors of spring – a different kind of inspiration that the whole world, beyond oneself, brings.

Walking in such a vibrant and lively spring garden is truly delightful!



Under the sunlight,  
various colorful houses...



At dusk,

Everything turns into another style ...





Just feel like the photos turned out quite well, haha!



As happy as a pig!



Even wandering alone in the city can be so joyful!

Had a constant grin throughout the journey, haha!

Strolling around alone, experiencing this delightful state of mind, that's the true meaning of travel, bringing us countless moments of inspiration and the vibrancy of life!

# Dreams are on the way ...

**Take those thoughts inspired by vast experiences and turn them into actions.**

**Dreams are within reach as long as you're on the path of pursuing them!**



A wonderful and meaningful birthday gift! 🎉📱



A Golden Violin as a bonus, hahaha!