

Art Nouveau: Pleasure and Sensuality

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I find the expressive painting and drawing of Art Nouveau to be very pleasureable and so wanted to start a thread on it in which anyone can post their favorites.

From Wikipedia, an excerpt from the overview:

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Quote

Art Nouveau (/ˌɑːrt nuːˈvoʊˌɑːr/; French: [aʁ nuvo]) is an international [style](#) of art, architecture, and [applied art](#), especially the [decorative arts](#), known in different languages by different names: [Jugendstil](#) in German, [Stile Liberty](#) in Italian, [Modernisme català](#) in Catalan, etc. In English it is also known as the [Modern Style](#). The style was most popular between 1890 and 1910 during the [Belle Époque](#) period that ended with the start of [World War I](#) in 1914.^[1] It was a reaction against the [academic art](#), [eclecticism](#) and [historicism](#) of 19th century architecture and decoration. It was often inspired by natural forms such as the sinuous curves of plants and flowers.^[2] Other characteristics of Art Nouveau were a sense of dynamism and movement, often given by asymmetry or [whiplash lines](#), and the use of modern materials, particularly iron, glass, ceramics and later concrete, to create unusual forms and larger open spaces.^[3]

Also, I happened on this video which is quite magical and wanted to share, from the [Savannah Botanical Gardens website](#):

Watch the "Art Nouveau" video:

<https://vimeo.com/168968342>