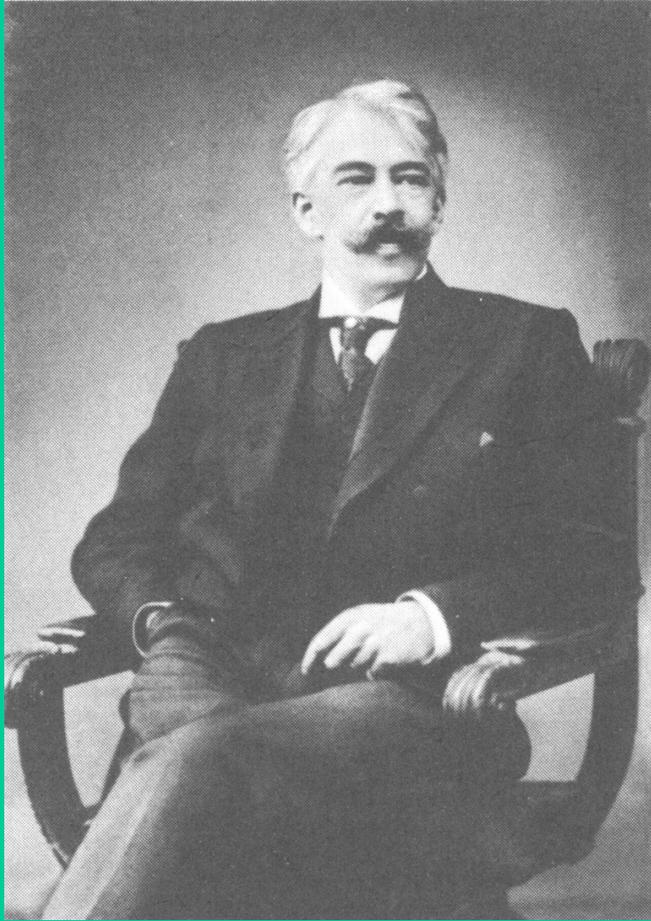


Modern Theatre History



Romanticism- movement with
emphasis on emotion and
imagination

*Response to
neoclassicism*



Melodrama- highly dramatic,
over performed style of theatre



Crash Course Theatre History: Melodrama



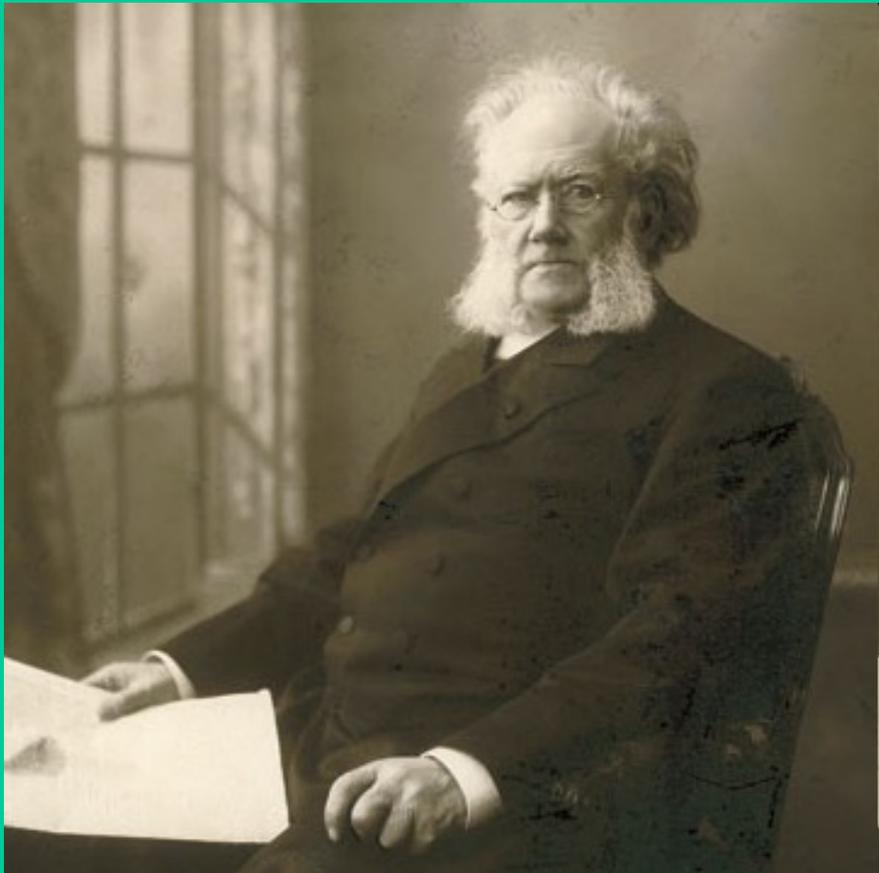
Realism movement to represent truth and reality on stage, no symbolism

Response to Romanticism



Henrik Ibsen realistic playwright

'father of modern drama'

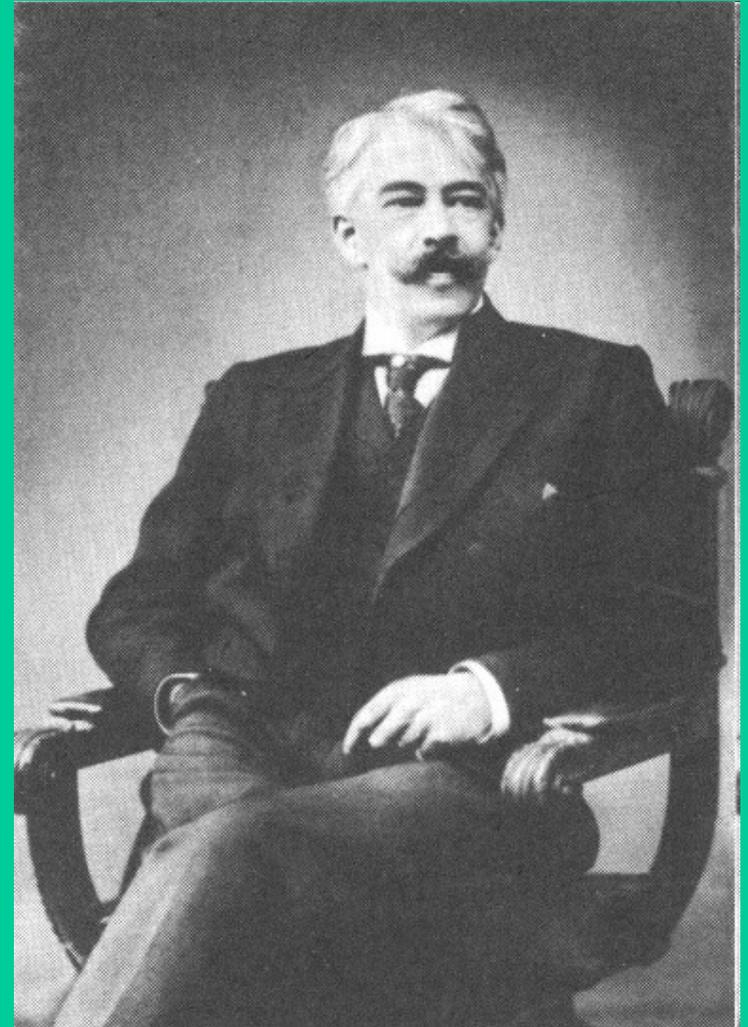


Constantin

Stanislavski- Russian

actor, developed
system for actor
training

*'father of realism in
acting'*



Edwin Forrest:

American Actor, first
American 'Superstar'

*Center of major
scandals in the 19th
Century*



Edwin Booth:

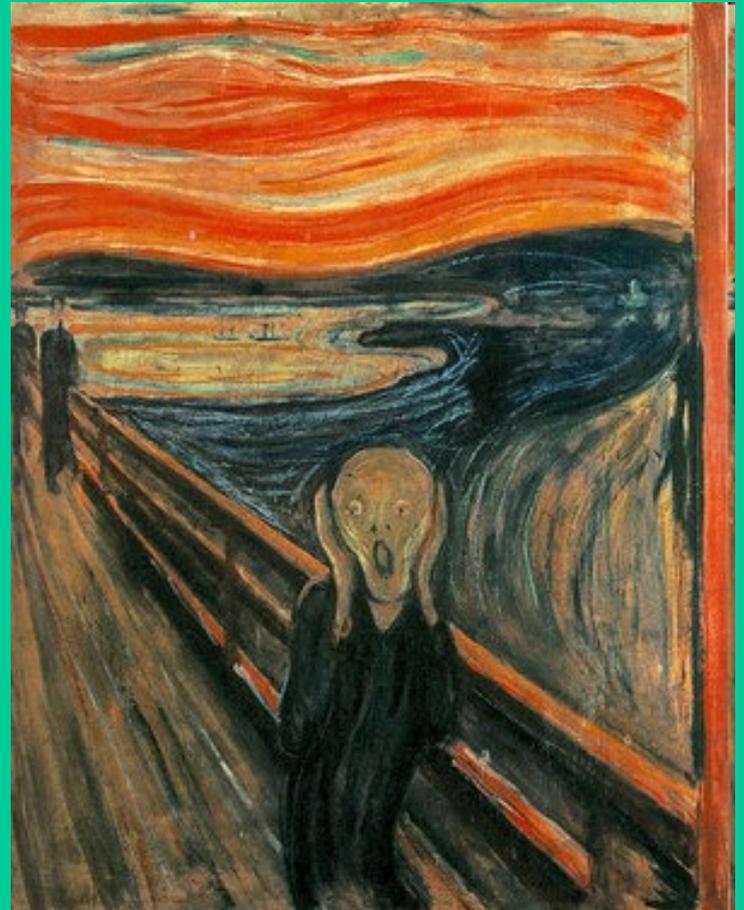
One of the most famous
Shakespearean Actors
of the 19th Century

*Has played Hamlet
more than any other
performer*

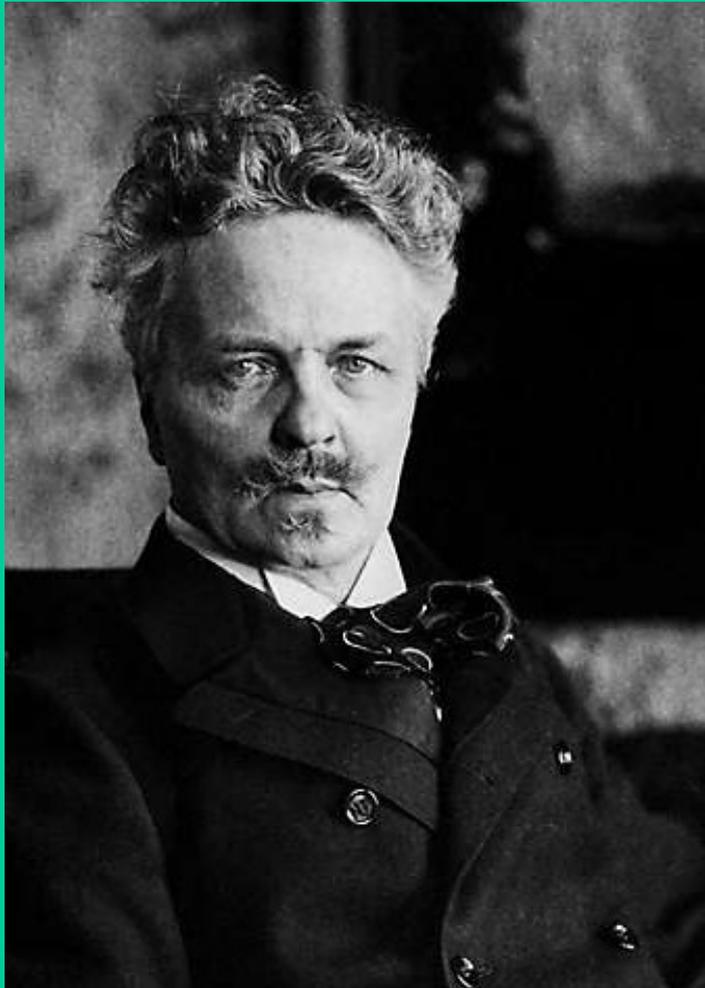


Expressionism- artistic movement , emphasized expression of the artist's inner experiences

Response to realism



August Strindberg-
expressionist playwright



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Expressionism (watch through 4:00)



Surrealism- artistic movement express
the workings of the subconscious



Jean Cocteau- surrealist playwright



Video of Surrealist Play, through about 4:00



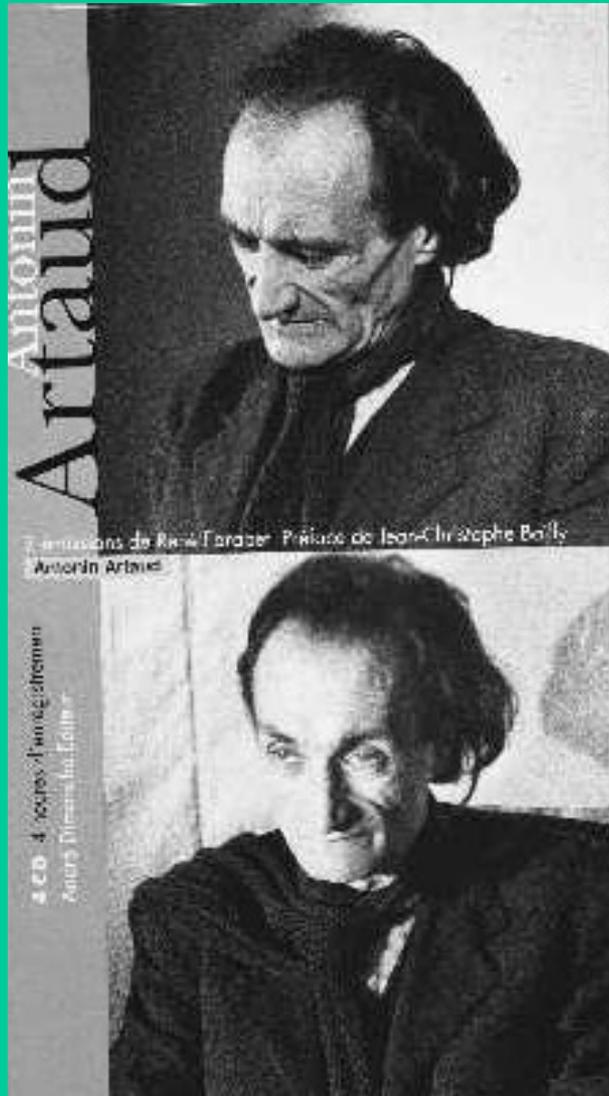
Theatre of Cruelty-

movement to remove
barrier between stage
and audience

*assaulted the
audience's senses*



Antonin Artaud created theatre of cruelty



Crash Course Theatre of Cruelty

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D>

[K_vZuLYHcw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D)

5:00-7:20

Epic Theatre movement that
appealed to reason, not
emotion

*tried to influence social
change*



Bertolt Brecht- creator of Epic Theatre



Crash Course Theatre History, Epic Theatre, 2:23 through about 5:20

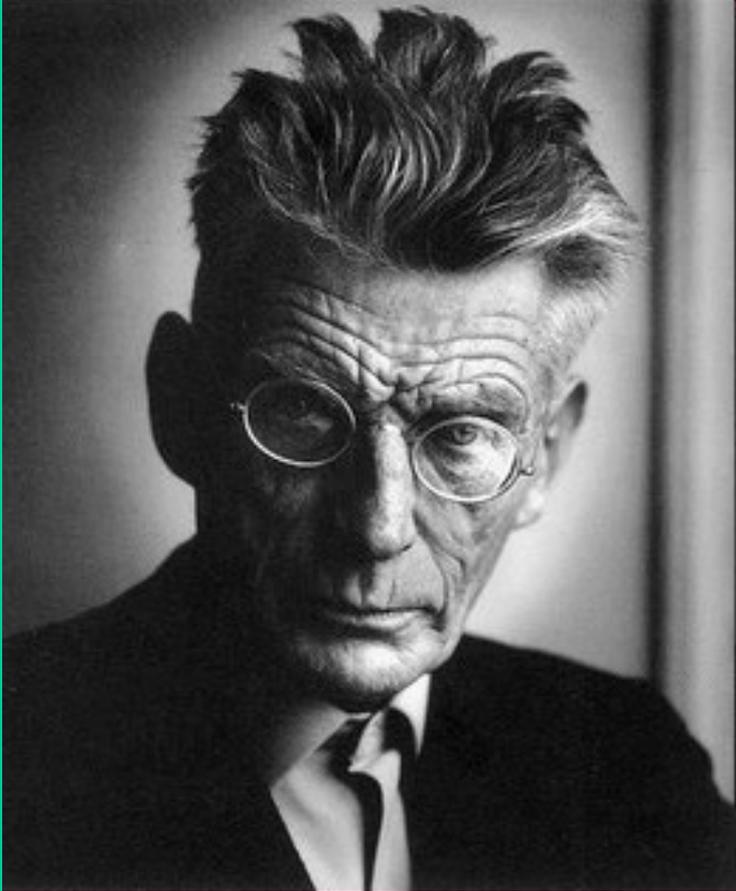


Absurdism- movement
that is intentionally
ridiculous and bizarre

*humans exist in a
meaningless, irrational
universe*



Samuel Beckett: Absurdist playwright



Broadway Waiting for Godot trailer



American Theatre and Race



Ira Aldridge- African American actor, discriminated against in America, first celebrated black actor in Europe



Jump Jim Crow- song and dance in blackface from early 1800' s



African Grove- NY theatre founded and operated by African American Artists

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On up under the Direction of Mr. Brown,
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Legs, Tommy Green	Life on Horse Back.	Mr. Bates Mr. Jackson
Honorable Dick Tiddie Gulden	Life in Fancy.	Mr. Matthews Mr. Bates
Cap Pierrot M. Tarter Joe	Life in the Dark.	Mr. Davenport Mr. Jackson Miss F. Green Miss Johnson
Waitman Daisy Bob	Life in Rags,	Mr. Smith Miss Johnson
Col Africa Bel	Life in Bond Street,	Mr. Wilson Mr. Jackson
Geo Joe	Life in Wapping	Miss Davis Miss F. J.
Mr. Davis	In The course of the Evening an additional Scene	Miss Johnson

Life in Limbo—Life in Love.

VAMBO RANGE in Charleston

On the Slave Market.

By the Company
Mr. Marsh

In the course of the Evening a variety of

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Women in Theatre



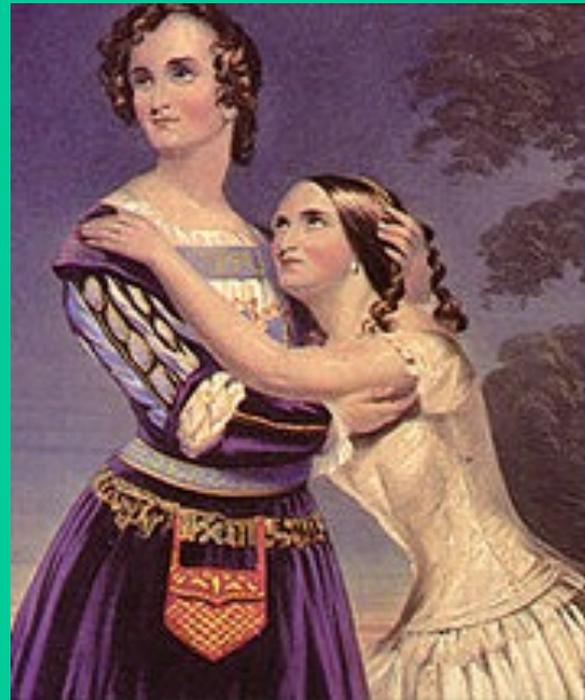
Sarah Bernhardt- French performer, most famous actress of the 19th century



Silent Film footage of Bernhardt



Charlotte Cushman- American actress,
most famous for performing as Romeo
opposite her younger sister



Ellen Terry- British actress, first female performer knighted as a Dame



Lotta Crabtree- American actress,
singer, dancer, comedian

‘The Nation’s Darling’

