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(1837-1900)

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Oscar Wilde

(The Victorian Age)

- Oscar Wilde was **born** in **1854** in Dublin.
- After his classical studies, he went to Oxford.
- He was a **spokeman** for a London School of Art.
- In 1882 he started a lecture tour in America.
- When he went to Paris he met Zola, Hugo and still others.
- Wilde in 1884 married Costance Lloyd and had two children.



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By OSCAR WILDE.

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A drawing inspired by "The picture of Dorian Grey"



De Profundis, 1905

Wilde's works

- As regards his poetics, in 1881 he published his **first volume of poems** and his most famous novel is "The picture of Dorian Grey".
- In this novel he deals with the theme of **Aesthetic movement**, where the main character, Dorian Grey, is **fascinated by his own beauty** when an artist gave him his portrait, so much that he **expresses a wish** that the portrait would absorb all the sign of age while he will remain forever in his **youthful perfection**.
- While the top of Oscar Wilde success were his **comdies**.
- During his two years in prison he wrote his confession *De profundis*.

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Lord Alfred Bruce Douglas, nicknamed "Bosie" (1870 - 1945), was a poet, writer and translator.



Foto per Wilde, 1894

The Wilde scandal

- His popularity declined in **1895** when he was imprisoned for **homosexual offences**.
- **Douglas** met Oscar Wilde in **1891**. When Douglas's father, the Marquess of Queensberry discovered the **relationship of the child, publicly he insulted Wilde** with ungrammatical note left at the club of Dublin writer.
- The ticket, which was a business card, was inscribed: "To Oscar Wilde posing as a somdomita".
- Wilde was sentenced to **two years** in prison and forced labor.
- After his release in **1897**, he emigrated to France, where he **died 3 years later**, a result of a life of **poverty and sadness**.