

# The Modernist Age

- Mexican Muralists
  - Mexican renaissance at the end of the civil war (1920)
  - National program of murales (1921)
  - A monumental and heroic form of art
  - Social realism
  - Agit-prop, nationalism, populism
  - A synthesis of Cubism, Futurism, Expressionism AND revivalism
  - Pre-Hispanic art
  - Italian Renaissance

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  - Jose-Clemente Orozco (1883)
  - David-Alfaro Siqueiros (1896)

Orozco: “The Epic of American Civilization” (1932)



Siqueiros: “Portrait of the Bourgeoisie” (1940)



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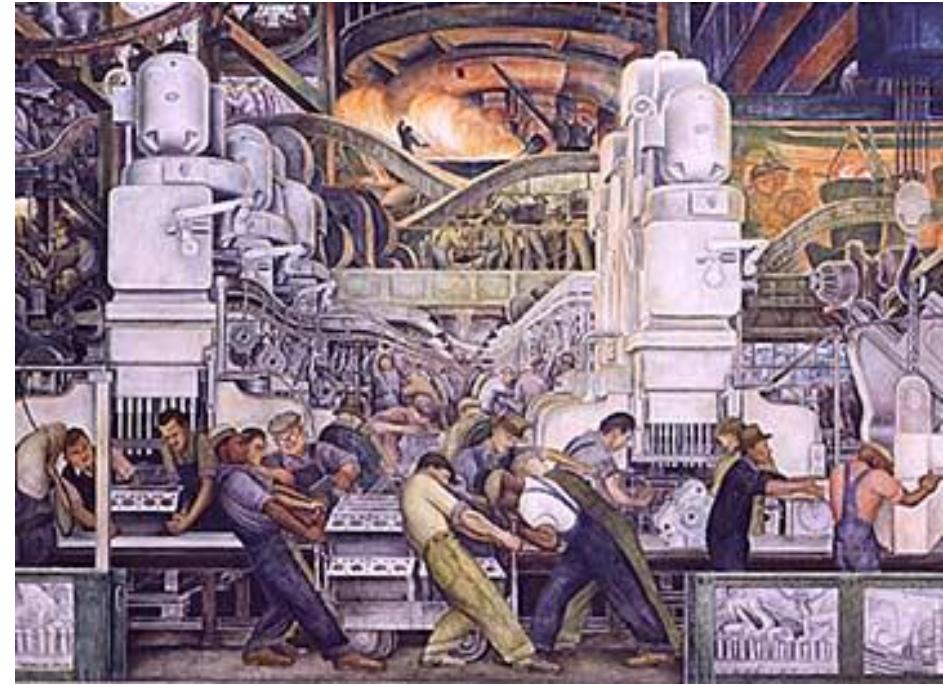
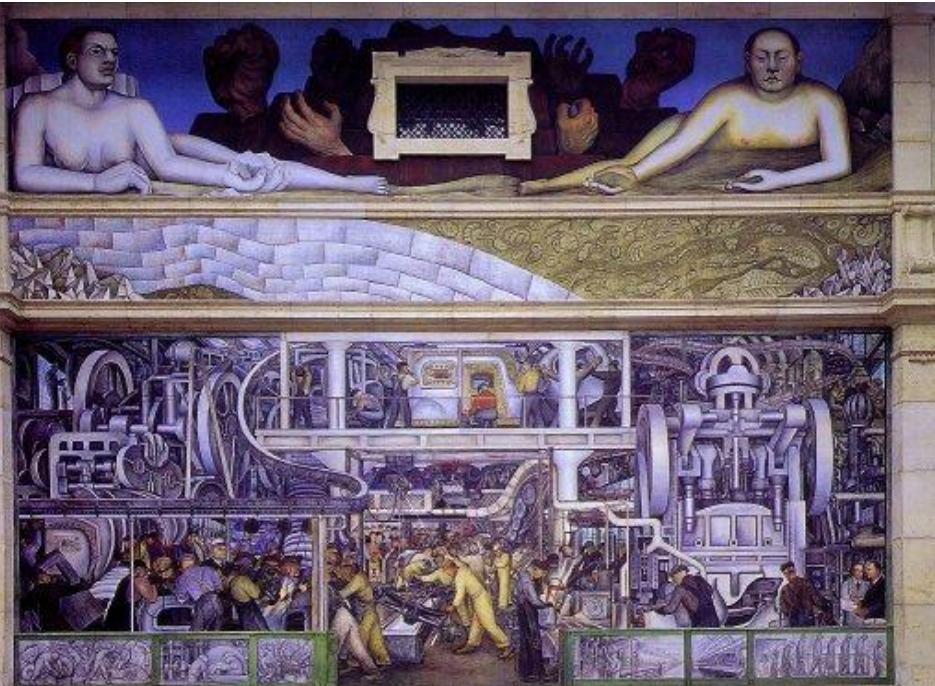
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- Diego Rivera (1886, Mexico)



Detroit Institute of Art (1933)

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“Conquest” (1935)

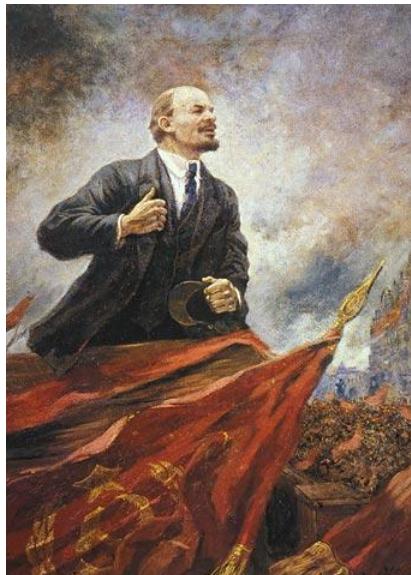


“Man Controller  
of the Universe”  
(1940)

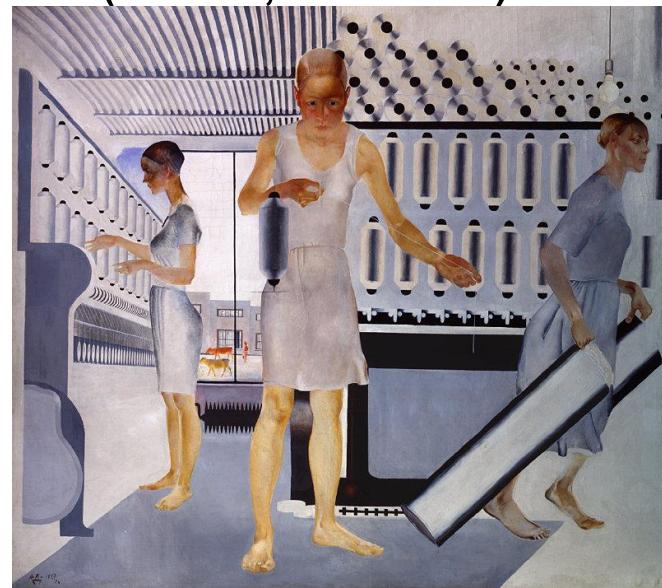


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- Social Realism in the Soviet Union (1934)
  - An update of Peredvizhniki/ Wanderers (1870) and of Germany's New Objectivity
  - Aleksandr Deineka (1899, Russia)
  - Isaak Brodsky (1883, Russia)
  - Aleksandr Gerasimov (1881, Russia)



Gerasimov: "Lenin" (1930)



Deineka: "Textile Workers" (1927)

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