

# Michelangelo Buonarroti



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# General information

**Michelangelo was born on 6 March 1475 in Caprese near Arezzo.**

His father worked as a Judicial administrator

He was the best pupil in a painters school

**Michelangelo's father sent him to study grammar with the Humanist Francesco da Urbino in Florence as a young boy. The young artist, however, showed no interest in his schooling, preferring to copy paintings from churches and seek the company of painters**

# Sistine Chapel ceiling



1508-1512



# Madonna with Jesus



Was made in 1499 when sculptor was 24 years old

# Interesting facts

- Michelangelo's father marks the date as 6 March 1474 in the Florentine manner *ab Incarnatione*. However, in the Roman manner, *ab Nativitate*, it is 1475.
- b. Sources disagree on the point: how old Michelangelo was when he went to school. De Tolnay writes that he was ten years old while Sedgwick notes in her translation of *Condivi* that Michelangelo was seven.
- The Strozzi family acquired the sculpture *Hercules*. Filippo Strozzi sold it to Francis I in 1529. In 1594, Henry IV installed it in the Jardin d'Estang at Fontainebleau where it disappeared in 1713 when the Jardin d'Estange was destroyed.
- Vasari makes no mention of this episode and Paolo Giovio's *Life of Michelangelo* indicates that Michelangelo tried to pass the statue as an antique .

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