

# OSCAR WILDE

1854-1900



# Life

O.Wilde was an Irish writer who became one of London's most popular playwrights in the early 1890s. He was born in 1854 in Dublin, the second of three children. His mom , Jane Wilde, under the pseudonym "Speranza" , wrote poetry for the revolutionary "Young Irelanders" in 1848 and was a lifelong Irish nationalist. William Wilde was Ireland's leading oto-ophthalmologic (ear and eye) surgeon and was knighted in 1864. He also wrote books about Irish archaeology and peasant folklore. Until he was nine, Oscar Wilde was educated at home, where a French and a German governess taught him their languages. Until his early twenties, Wilde spent his summer at the villa, Moytura House, his father built in Cong County Mayo. There the young Wilde and his brother Willie played with George Moore.

# University education

O.Wilde studied in Portora Royal School in Enniskillen .He wasn't wunderkind, but he could read really quickly. In school Wilde got special award for knowledge of the original Greek of the new Testament. When he finish school with gold medal, Wilde was awarded the Royal School Scholarship to study at Trinity College. In 1874 Wilde won one more scholarship to study in Oxford He got a reputation of a man who can achieve smth Effortlessly. When he study in OxfordWilde won the 1878 Newdigate Prize for his poem "Ravenna", which reflected on his visit there the year before

# Life after...

After graduation from Oxford, Wilde moved to London. Owing to his talent and cuteness he entered to London High Life. Oscar Wilde made a Revolution in fashion. He appeared in a society in himself invented attire. In 1881 published his first book called "Poems". In 1882 O. Wilde went to America for reading lecture.

When Wilde came to motherland he fell in love and married with Constance Lloyd. Then two sons were born in his family. 1891-1895 - years of the greatest fame. O. Wilde was under arrest two years because of indecent behavior. In a prison he knows that his mother died, wife changed surname and emigrated. Last years Wilde spent in France in a poverty and died in exile of meningitis.

# Creation

1881-published "Poems"

1887-The Canterville Ghost, Lord Arthur Savile's  
Crime and Other Stories

1890-The picture of Dorian Gray

1891-published book called Intentions

-Salome(French) devoted for Sara Bernhardt

1892-first comedy -Lady Windermere's Fan(make  
Oscar Wilde the most popular man in London)

Also popular works An Ideal Husband, Vera; or,  
The Nihilists, Duchess of Padua



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[6 by 7 in.]



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[5½ by 4½ in.]

### THE CANTERVILLE GHOST

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# The Picture of Dorian Gray.

By OSCAR WILDE.

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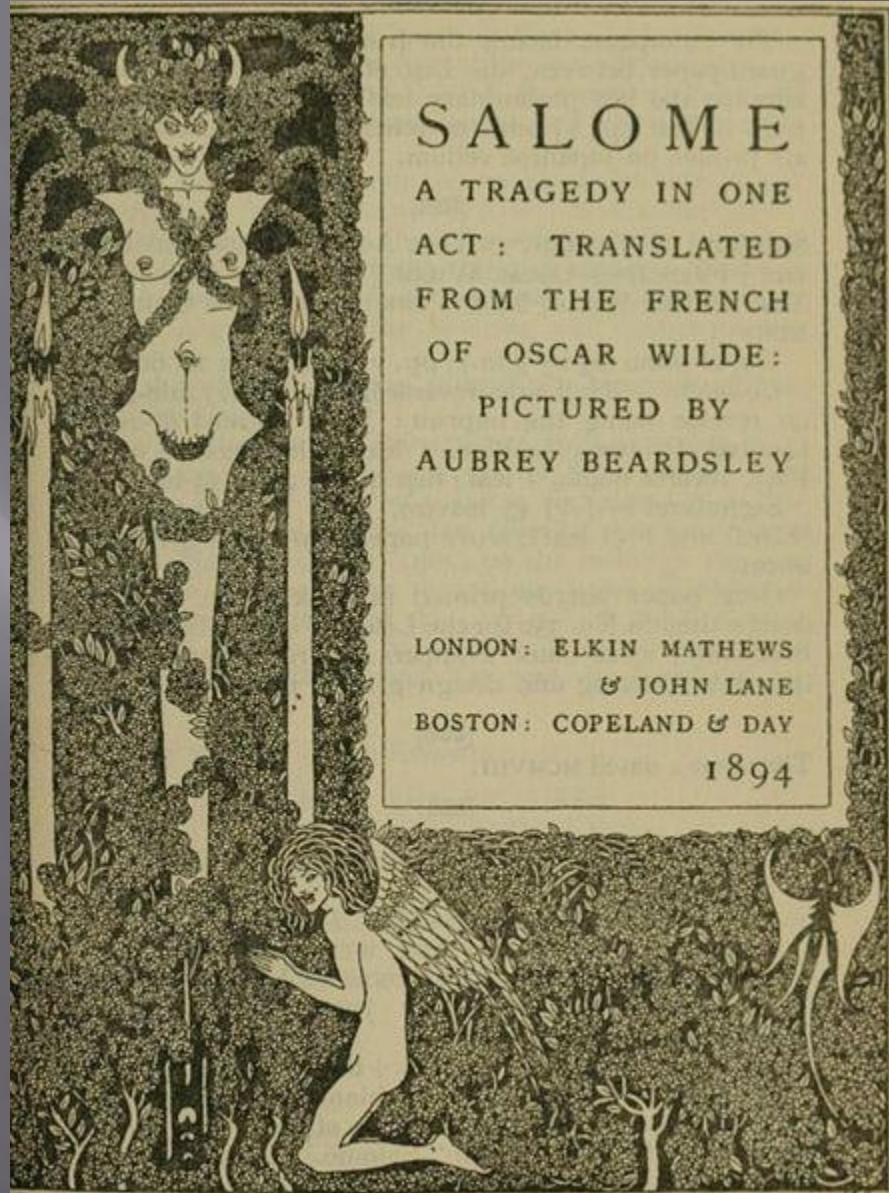
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# SALOME

A TRAGEDY IN ONE  
ACT: TRANSLATED  
FROM THE FRENCH  
OF OSCAR WILDE:  
PICTURED BY  
AUBREY BEARDSLEY

LONDON: ELKIN MATHEWS  
& JOHN LANE  
BOSTON: COPELAND & DAY  
1894

# Interesting facts

- ▣ In 1997 appear film about Oscar wilde called "Wilde"
- ▣ In 1960 another film about judicial process
- ▣ In a film "Paris,I love you" one of the episodes dedicated for Oscar Wilde
- ▣ In a song Escimo by RCHP was lines which dedicated to oscar Wilde



**The end**