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Abstract of presentation „Zdzisław Beksiński - a dream photographer”

I wanted to make a presentation about something I am really keen on. The decision was very simple because an art is my big passion . I wanted to introduce, in my opinion, the most interesting modern painter Zdzisław Beksinski, who is unfortunately very little known in his own country, Poland.

My aim was to make a very simple presentation with as little information as possible, filled with many of his paintings. I chose the works that I know from Art Gallery in his home town-Sanok. I put the most famous ones as well. To make it more diverse I chose very disturbing paintings and these that show beautiful landscapes. I was looking for the images on his official website.

I also tried to find many quotes of the artist himself. I find very interesting to know what the author say about his creations. I avoided the interpretations of his works of experts, because it forces the listener to do it himself. It follows the rule of the artist that interpretations are unnecessary, because even he doesn’t know the meaning of many paintings. Information from the presentation provided us the whole image of Zdzisław Beksiński. It contained his artistic carrer, his passion, beginning as a young student, his family tragedy, hard relationship with his son. These are the things that help us understand the background of his works.

I hope that I aquainted people in the class with this artist and I showed that modern art can be also very touching and make people have very different feelings from happiness to shock and even fear.