

Michelangelo's works include:

- the 'David' (1501-1504)
- The Sistene Chapel ceiling (1508-1512)
- The Last Judgement (1534-1541)
- The 'Pieta' (1498-1499)
- Madonna of the Stairs (1491)
- Battle of the Centaurs (1492)
- The torment of St Anthony (1487-1488)
- The tomb of Pope Julius II (1505-1545)

Michelangelo Buonarroti was born in Caprese near Florence where his father was the local magistrate. A few weeks after his birth, the family moved to Florence.

After the Medici were expelled from Florence, Michelangelo travelled to Bologna and then, in 1496, to Rome. His primary works were sculpture in these early years.

As a result of his 'Pietà' he returned to Florence a famous sculptor. Here he produced his 'David'.

Michelangelo died in Rome and was buried in the Church of Santa Croce in Florence.

In 1488, Michelangelo was apprenticed to the painter Domenico Ghirlandaio.

He lived in the household of Lorenzo de' Medici, the leading patrons of the arts in Florence at the time.

Michelangelo's was commissioned by Pope Julius II to paint the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican.

In 1534, Michelangelo returned to Rome and was commissioned to paint 'The Last Judgement' on the altar wall of the Sistine Chapel. From 1546 he was active as an architect, in particular in St Peter's.



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Michelangelo Buonarrotti (1475-1564)

"Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it."

-Michelangelo

Influenced by:

- Giotto di Bondone (1266-1337): for emotional gesture
- Donatello [Donato di Niccolo Bardi] (1386-1466): for emotional depth in character
- Leonardo Da Vinci (1452-1519): influenced by his **contrapposto** method- even though they were bitter rivals



Michelangelo influenced:

- Caravaggio (1573-1610)
- El Greco (1541-1614)
- Rodin (1840-1917)
- Lorenzo Bernini (1598-1680)

"With Michelangelo anatomical science is transformed into music. With him the human body is architectonic matter for the construction of dreams."

- Umberto Boccioni