The Muse of Painting

The Timeless Representation of the Female Form

Artists through history have been fascinated with the female form. Though great painters have depicted innumerable face and body types, one particular "look" seems to be represented in a substantial proportion of masterpieces. Why this particular female visage holds such an attraction for the world's most brilliant painters is not entirely clear, although one fanciful theory suggests that she is, in fact, the "Muse of Painting": a goddess who directly inspires great artists with her beauty. The International Museum of Pretentious Art is proud to display an exhibit of all of the paintings known to contain the Muse.

Note: many second-rate art galleries display cheap imitations of these paintings, depicting other faces and bearing different titles. Some of these fraudulent works are even referenced online. These fakes can be of no interest to any serious art lover, and we urge you to pay no attention to them.