

[*verwijzingssteken:*] ¶ (I could not find this word in the dictionary) //

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A sample of the cultural signification of /  
Mondrian's art can be the following. /  
<- Mondrian> <+ He> said his art is sensual. I retorted /  
that I saw it as sensuous [*verwijzingssteken:*] ¶. He <- sais> replied that /  
when sensuous means a deeper grade of /  
sensual, then the definition sensuous will /  
just be what I mean to say. But will /  
it be directly understood that in this case /  
sensuousity <+ ?> remains unified with sensu- /  
ality ? //

The word "sensuali(- ty)" embraces the whole of /  
human senses faculty and Art is produced /  
by this whole. Every Art must be expres- /  
sion of our whole being and can be ap- /  
proceed only with our whole being. But /  
the kind of expression depends of the grade /  
of profundness that sensuality has. //

This fact explains the culture of Art /  
towards pure abstraction. For true /  
abstraction is not rejecting or elimina- /  
ting parts of the whole of reality, but intensi- /  
fying of it. The culture of Art is a conti- /  
nuous attempt to more profoundness. //

Mondrian sais, not on philosophical grounds /  
but based on pure plastical and technical ///

experience, that it cannot be enough em- /  
 phasised that abstraction is not rejection /  
 but intensifying . Thus an abstract work is /  
 not the creation of an other reality but an /  
 other vision of one and always the same /  
 reality. //

This fact makes the work living and /  
 concrete. //

An other sample of cultural interest can /  
 be Mondrian's vision of Art. He sees, even /  
 the most abstract, as a "substitute" for what /  
 he calls "true life". True life he defines as /  
 human life freed from external (objective) /  
 and internal (subjective) oppression. //  
 He sees human life as slowly marching /  
 toward true life and ⟨+ men⟩ steadily fighting /  
 for that state of life. //

Even Art he sees as an oppression for it /  
 "replaces" true life on abstract domain. //  
 ⟨- Arts⟩ ⟨+ Human's⟩ culture, Art and all, he sees as /  
 the means to ⟨- [xxx]⟩ near freedom. //

In far future he sees ⟨- "⟩ Art as "Art" dis- /  
 solved and artists' capacities helping to ///

create an environment compatible to /  
 true life. To this, capacitys concerning /  
 color, proportion and relationship will /  
 join architectural capacitys, creating /  
 together a real “human” environ- /  
 ment. Now we still are living “op- /  
 posite,” to pictures or wall decorations, /  
 or “opposite” to empty walls, how pure /  
 they may be conceived and executed. /  
 Now, commercial interests still must /  
 detain human progress : true culture /  
 cannot go too fast. //

To create, in far future, a more compleet /  
 life, Mondrian sees architecture, music, /  
 theatre, dance in less accelerated tempo /  
 going the same way as painting and sculp- /  
 ture, freeing themselves from subjective /  
 and objective obstacles. //

In several articles already long ago pu- /  
 blished [*verwijzingssteken:*] ¶ but as lost in the turbulence of dai- /  
 ly life, he shows the unity of all Art and //

[*verwijzingssteken:*] ¶ in European reviews ///

its real content. Le theatre and literature /  
 -as-Art, now more or less representation /  
 of daily life or subjective visions of true /  
 life, he sees as marching to pure expres- /  
 sion of true life, freeing themselves from /  
 the same obstacles. He sees daily ⟨- lif⟩ /  
 (practical) litterature then separated from /  
 litterature-as-Art and become pure /  
 commercial, scientifique and technical. //

After the worldwar back in Paris, Mondrian /  
~~xxx~~ exhibited ⟨+ there⟩ first at the Salon des Tuilerien, /  
 then with the Abstract Art Association /  
 “Circle et Carré” and “Abstraction Creation” /  
 at last at the International Exhibition in /  
 “Le jeu des Paumes”, Tuilerien. ⟨- Paris⟩ /  
 Then abroad ⟨+ he exhibited⟩ in Switzerland, England and /  
 America. Has pictures in museums in /  
 Holland, Germany (before the Nazis) /  
 Switzerland and America. ///